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CITIZENS' MUTUAL TELEPHONE.

Meeting of the Stockholders—No Election—Adjournment to March 1

In compliance with legal notice a meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens Mutual Telephone company was held last night for the purpose of transacting routine business and to elect two directors. These stockholders were present J C. Crane, E. M. Hopkins, Dr. J. G. Harvey, Wm. Lewis, Charlie Moore, J. O. Newberry, J C. Spillman, D. H. Dunbar, A. L. Hopkins, C. S Hankins, Wm Jacobs, A Marie Macpherson, A. F Ross, D L. Rosenburg, G. W. Scovill, E J. Strader, J. F. Van Gundy, Samuel Wood, H M. Whitmer and F. C. Roby. In addition to these there were present Attorney John Lee representing E. M. Hopkins, Deputy Sheriff Sam Stabler who was representing some kind of a writ he had in his pocket It was supposed to be in the interest of Mr Hopkins.

George W. Scovill, the president of the company, called the meeting to order. C S Hankins offered a motion that the stockholders proceed to elect two directors, by a vive voce vote. This plan was not agreeable to the Hopkins people who hold a majority of the stock, held largely by Mr Hopkins. As a substitute for the Hankins motion, it was proposed by Mr Hopkins that there be a poll of the stock that all might know who owns the stock and who was voting it. The substitute was adopted. W. M. Lewis, Miss A. Marie McPherson and C. S. Hankins were selected as the committee. The committee began its work and then on motion the Hopkins interest secured an adjournment until March 1 when it is said Mr Hopkins will have secured two thirds of the stock and be in a position to elect two directors

The anti Hopkins people claim to be able to hold their own. The March meeting will probably settle the contentions which have existed for over a year

PROHIBITION MEETING.

The Members of the Party of Macon County are Holding a Conference in This City.

A conference of the members of the Prohibition party of Macon county was held at the W. C. T. U. hall in this city today Oliver W. Stewart, the state chairman, is here to assist in the meeting There was a fairly good attendance at the conference and matters pertaining to the work of the party were discussed. Mr Stewart presided. This morning Rev A W Hawkins made an address on the subject, "What Can We Do for the Cause." A short talk was made by the chairman.

This afternoon Mr Stewart made an address on "Prohibition Principles." Rev James Hobbs spoke on the subject, "Why I Am a Prohibitionist." He said that in communities where Prohibition was a fixed fact that the people had peace, plenty good government, common sense and religion He gave other reasons why he was opposed to the liquor traffic and why he was a party prohibitionist Rev. J H Hughey read a paper on "The Best Plan for Work in this County," in which he referred to the holding of outdoor meetings, work in the school houses and the distribution of prohibition literature A petition in favor of woman suffrage was presented and signed by those in attendance

Another session will be held this evening when an address will be made by Mr. Stewart He is traveling through the state holding conferences in different cities for the purposes of assisting in the work.

Bread. Bread. Bread.

We are now making the finest and best bread in the city, notwithstanding the **Second Day Bread from St. Louis,** that is being sold by some grocers at 5c per loaf straight for 16 ounces. Our bread for sale at all grocery stores that handle bread, 3 16 ounce loaves for 10c, or 24 ounces for 5c, and fresh. Take your choice and be convinced.

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A New Vegetable Garden.

Located in the heart of the city, 243 North Main, where you will find fresh rhubarb, mushrooms, radishes, spinach, lettuce, oyster plant, cranberries, home grown celery and California celery, new beets, water cress and parsley at Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—18 2t

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jan 29 d&wtf

The senate at Albany has passed a bill making Grant's birthday, April 27, a half holiday in New York, Brooklyn and Westchester.

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KILLED IN NEW YORK

A Persistant Effort to Kiss a Woman Results in the Death of the Kisser.

A WOMAN GIVES THE FATAL BLOW.

The Trouble was Among the Italians and Too Much New York Whiskey was at the Bottom of the Tragedy.

New York, Feb 20 —Vittorio Margigliano, who combines in one person the calling banker and barber, and Angelina Fruta his so called common law wife, are in custody charged with being responsible for the death of Francisco Priori, a laborer Mott street was the scene of the tragedy Yesterday Priori, who had been drinking tried to kiss Mrs. Luigi, whom he met upon as she was gossiping with some other Italian women, not only Mrs. Luigi but her companions as well. They resented the familiarity and beat Priori soundly with sticks. The latter, however, was persistent and when Mrs. Luigi ran into Margigliano's quarters his place of business Priori followed and seized her about the waist. The barber banker interferred and with a blow of his fist floored Priori Springing to his feet Priori drew a knife and slashed Margigliane on the cheek Before Priori could make a second cut Mrs Frauta, armed with a club was upon him and with a swinging blow laid him senseless on the floor. An ambulance was called and Priori was conveyed to a hospital where he died today. Margigliano and his Amazonian mistress have been locked up to await the action of the coroner's jury.

BUSHNELL GETS AN IDEA.

Gen Grosvenor Believes the Governor Will Name the Cleveland Man for Senator.

Washington, Feb 20.—"It looks more promising than ever for the selection of Mark Hanna to succeed Senator Sherman after March 4" said Congressman Grosvenor of Ohio, and there does not seem to be any other way out of the dilemma for Governor Bushnell. The straightforward manner in which Mr. Cox has acted in this transaction has of course been instrumental in causing the governor to take the course wished by the people of Ohio and our latest advices are to the effect that the governor of Ohio will do the proper thing and appoint Mr. Hanna as senator.

There has been no question in my mind all along about the course Governor Bushnell would pursue in this matter, and he seems to have taken counsel with his friends rather than the enemies in coming to the conclusion that Mark Hanna is the best possible selection he could make to bring about harmony in the ranks of the Republican party of the buckeye state No one has been authorized to say what Governor Bushnell would or would not do in this matter, and no attempt has been made to coerce him or make any promise. He has been left perfectly free and untrammeled, for it was pretty well understood that he knew and appreciated the situation in Ohio and would do what was right and proper under the circumstances."

Foraker Has a Vision.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 20.—Considerable significance is attached to an interview which Representative Swingle of Muskingum county is said to have had with Foraker in Cincinnati last night. A special from Zanesville states that Foraker expressed himself to Swingle in the following manner:

Governor Bushnell will be a candidate for renomination and re-election. He has made a good governor and will no doubt settle the matter of the United States senatorship satisfactorily to all loyal Republicans when the time arrives. President McKinley and I are on good terms and if Hanna is appointed to fill the vacancy the matter of public patronage can or at least ought to be satisfactorily arranged I want no dissensions or controversy that would make it unpleasant to myself or to the administration I would much prefer to remain in my office here in Cincinnati than go to the United States senate with dissensions or unpleasant complications."

Senator Kyle Announces His Policy.

Pierre, S D, Feb. 20.—A meeting was held last night of the Republican members of the legislature who assisted in electing Senator Kyle, which was addressed by leading Republicans of the state who gave their sanction to the acts of yesterday and who were followed by the senator in an outline of his position. He denied any deal or change in views, but stated that he believed that as the people of the country had voted for a tariff policy they should not be disappointed. He said he would have taken the same position if he had been elected by the Populists, and that he expected some differences on the floor of the senate with his colleagues on such a policy. He declared that he still reserved to himself the right to vote as he saw fit on the silver question, and he was not in the least changed on that question any more than on the tariff After the meeting there was a reception, in which Kyle greeted all the Republicans present.

McLAUGHRY APPOINTED WARDEN

Dr. Fred Wines will be Secretary of the Board of Charities.

Springfield, Ill, Feb. 20.—The new commissioners of the Joliet prison were here yesterday, and Major McClaughry went with them to see the governor. Governor Tanner asked Major McClaughry to accept the wardenship of the Joliet prison. The salary is $100 less that he is receiving at present as superintendent of the Pontiac reformatory The major said he and Tanner were soldiers together and old friends, and he would take the place. Governor Tanner said he would ask the committees of the house and senate to recommend the increase of the salary of the warden at Joliet to $5000 per annum.

Some of the trustees of the Pontiac reformatory were here too, and George Torrance of Pontiac has been or will be appointed superintendent of that institution. At the request of the new commissioners Governor Tanner will select three well equipped men for the purpose of making an investigation into the financial condition of the Joliet prison and of making an appraisement of the property belonging to the state at that place.

There is a tip out, too, that the Rev. F. H. Wines will be reappointed secretary of the board of public charities, a position to which he devoted the better part of his life and was removed when Altgeld came into office Dr. Wines is the best equipped man for the place in all the country He is recognized throughout the length and breadth of the land as an authority in the management of charitable and penal institutinos. In fact, he was the organizer of the Illinois board of public charities.

A fish commissioner is to be appointed, a state veterinarian, a member of the board of arbitration, and a few more places of that character. All the veterinarians in the state and about half of the fishermen along the Illinois river are applicants for positions of that class. Before Governor Tanner goes to Washington he will be able to clear up most of the work on his desk.

The best place he has is that of insurance commissioner The incumbent of the office, Mr Durfee, is a Democrat, and by the law creating the office his term will not expire before July 1. It is pretty generally understood that Col. Van Cleave is to have this office, although some people are of the opinion that Senator Berry may get it in case he does not meet with success in his contest for a seat in the senate.

Trouble Over Inauguration Rates.

Chicago, Feb 20 —The passenger rates on the roads running east from Chicago are in a fair way to become as badly demoralized as the freight rates have been for some time. The trouble seems to be over the rates made to Washington for the inauguration. Although the day for the actual sale of tickets has not yet arrived, all sorts of stories as to the reductions made by several roads are flying around It is reported on what seems to be excellent authority that several parties have been contracted for at the rate of $12 for the round trip, although the authorized rate is $17.50. It is also claimed that some of the roads have been granting side privileges to the purchasers of tickets and committing other irregularities It is generally thought that the demoralization will become greater after the business once begins to move.

A Connecticut Tragedy.

Falls Village, Conn., Feb. 20.—When he awoke this morning the 10-year-old son of Postmaster Chapin found the corpse of his mother in the dining room and near by the body of Charles Mead, son of the Rev. H P. Mead. Near by lay a discharged revolver. Chapin is in Sheffield. The supposition is that Mead killed Mrs. Chapin and then himself.

Senator Mitchell's Manly Proposition.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 20.—Senator Mitchell addressed his supporters in the legislature today saying that it was their duty to elect a Republican to the United States senate and if at any time they find they can elect another man than himself releasing them from allegiance to him.

Spanish Victory.

Menila, Phillipine Islands, Feb. 20.—The Spaniards captured the insurgent town of Silang by assault after bombardment. Five hundred insurgents were killed.

United States Senate for Greece.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The senate adopted a resolution by Cameron expressing sympathy with Greece.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Boom in the Iron Trade Gives a Hopeful View of the Business Outlook.

GREAT INCREASE OF CORN EXPORTS.

Double That of a Year Ago—Other Improvements Noted in Harmony With the Iron Activity.

New York, Feb 20.—R. G. Dun & Co 's weekly report says

The large increase in the iron and steel business on account of sales covering from eight to twelve months' production of the largest works, better demand for woolen goods and slightly better for cottons, a gain which may prove lasting in boots and shoes, slightly better prices for wheat, cotton, wool, and iron, and a money market well adapted to encourage liberal purchases against further improvement in business, have rendered the past week more hopeful than any other since early in November.

Heavy excess of merchandise exports over imports in January, the continuance of exchange rates showing that Europe is still largely indebted to this country on current account, and the prospect that congress will adjourn without any disturbing action, all have their favorable influence upon the money market, and upon future undertakings.

In nearly every branch, the great iron and steel industry feels the upward impulse supplied by the purchases of steel rails, said to be 500,000 tons each from the Illinois Steel company, besides some from other companies. Some sales were as low as $15 per ton, and about 100,000 tons went to foreign purchasers at $17 and $18, but all recent sales are at $20 at eastern and $21 at western mills. Nearly all the great railroads of the country have seized the opportunity to supply themselves with rails for one or two years' requirements These enormous orders have advanced pig at Pittsburg only fifteen cents per ton, with gray forge a shade lower, and no considerable change appears in finished products

The bar association no longer controls anything, and iron bars are quoted at $1 05 per 100 pounds, while steel bars are quoted at 95 cents per 100 Structural forms are steady, though 100,000 to 150,000 tons are said to be required in New York alone this year, and American tin plates are still selling at $3 20, which is 70 cents less than the price for foreign.

Other industries are gaining also, though less conspicuously The recent decline and subsequent rise in raw cotton have not materially affected cotton manufacture, which is gradually getting rid of its accumulated surplus. Sales of wool have sharply declined, amounting to 7,109,000 pounds for the week, against 9,158,000 for the previous week. The large mills have acquired full supplies for the present, and at any advance in prices they appear ready to drop out of the market. The demand for woolen goods does not seem to have expanded materially, and no change in prices appears.

The heavy January exports following unprecedented excess of exports over imports of merchandise in the four previous months are largely due to the fact that neither wheat nor cotton have been materially controlled by speculation. Wheat dropped to 80.75 cents, but rose to 83 25 cents, with no important impulse except the conviction that recent prices have been low enough.

Atlantic exports, flour included, were 1,235,000 bushels for the week, against 1,810,000 last year. Western receipts were small for the week, being only 1,508,000 bushels, against 2,415,588 last year. Meanwhile western receipts of corn have been well nigh double last year's and for three weeks Atlantic exports have been 6,317,800 bushels, against 3,235,000 last year. Evidently this movement is displacing many million bushels of wheat in foreign consumption

Failures in the United States the past week were 303, against 280 last year.

THE MOTHERS MEET.

The Third Day's Session of the Mothers' Congress Full of Interest.

Washington, Feb. 20 —Interest in the mothers' congress crowded the First Baptist church yesterday long before the hour for the opening of the session Physical culture for women, character building, as distinguished from ordinary educational methods, and the proposition to establish a national training school to teach domestic science, were the subjects of the day, and they received most earnest attention.

Delegates to the congress have been much interested in the workings of the "Mothers' Meetings club" of this city, an organization of colored women It is conducted by a committee of ladies from St. Luke's P E church (colored), and is really auxiliary to the Y M C A. (colored.) The primary object of these meetings is to help industrious, self supporting women to clothe themselves and families at as little cost and by as easy methods as possible Goods are purchased by the committee, garments cut and basted, and then sold to the mothers who ordered them for the actual price paid for the goods. Charge is made only for the exact amount used in the garments; cotton, needles and thimbles are furnished free Small payments of from 5c to 15c are made and paid for, when it is taken home. This club has been organized for four years, and has a membership of ninety, with an average attendance of forty seven. All denominations are represented in the club, and all avail themselves very gladly of the advantages offered. The club work is not confined to sewing, but papers are read on practical subjects, such as the training of children, the duties of mothers, the ordering of the home, and kindred topics. The committee is contemplating adding a school for the teaching of plain cooking and the care of the sick.

Recent arrivals from the west to attend the congress include Mrs. John A Allen of St Louis, president of the Missouri State Federation of Women's clubs, Miss M Tapp of the W. C. T. U, Jacksonville Mrs. E G Rhodes of the Iowa Children's Home society, Mount Vernon, Iowa, Mrs F. F. Ford, Mrs. W W. Kysee and Mrs H. S. James of the Woman's club of Omaha, Neb ; Miss Ellis L. Campbell of the free kindergarten at Fort Wayne, Ind , Mrs. Alice M. A. Picker, Falkton, S. D , Mrs. Laura Bingham Loomis Mothers' club of Redfield, S. D

Third Day's Session.

The devotional exercises this morning were conducted by Mrs. H A. Stimson of New York City.

Miss Julia King of the faculty of the Emerson college of oratory, Boston, in the course of her address on physical culture said:

"A true system of physical culture, properly taught, aids in building up ideal character. First, through its effect upon the health for, in the nature of things, health affects character. Again, health of body leads to equanimity of mind and gives a moral direction to the intellectual activities Some people call every kind of artificial exercise physical culture, but nothing can be said to be true physical culture which does not recognize theoretically and practically the principle that the body is the servant of the soul "

At the close of Miss King's address she recited "You Never Can Tell," by Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Mrs Ellen Richardson of Boston, followed with a paper on Charcter Building vs Education '

'The new education," she said, ' had for its purpose originality of thought and the building up of character It takes the youth from the farm, the shop, the studio, and returns him better and stronger farmer, mechanic and artist "

Mrs Sallie A. Cotton of Falkland, N C, read the last paper of the morning, on the subject of "National Training for Women, ' in the course of which she said

"Scientific motherhood means more than a casual thought can grasp It means a grander, nobler race, an altruistic humanity which shall fit the earth for the Savior's advent It means the reformation of the drunkard, the redemption of the criminal, the repentance of the murderer, the abolition of asylums for blind, dumb and insane. It is evident that woman's most imperative duty to the government under which she lives is to supply a population composed of the highest types of men and women, and it is equally evident that a scientific motherhood is necessary to the proper performance of this duty. But all duty is reciprocal, and it is the duty of the government which seeks the welfare of its people to offer to its women an opportunity for the attainment of this scientific motherhood which will be fraught with so much good to the nation. Scientific motherhood will give no marked impetus while restricted to a fortunate few. It can be done through the establishing by the government of a national training school for women, where the women of the nation shall be trained in the science of domesticity and peace, just as at West Point and Annapolis the men are trained in the science of war. In the school, woman should be taught the highest domestic science; in all its universities she should be taught applied chemistry, sanitation, disinfection, the prevention and cure of disease, the care of infants and their foods, the application of science to all departments of household labor and the mysteries and possibilities of heredity."

A resolution was adopted with much enthusiasm thanking Mrs Birney and Mrs. Hearst, who made the first mothers' congress not only possible, but a great success.

Walker's elevator at Assumption has been completed and will soon be in operation.

THE CABINET.

Yesterday's Reports as to the Personnel of the Cabinet Confirmed.

THE LIST NOW COMPLETE.

The States Honored are. Ohio, Illinois, Michigan, Massachusetts, California, New York, Maryland and Iowa.

Washington, Feb 20 —President McKinley's cabinet is now complete.

With the acceptance of the postmaster generalship by Mr Gary of Maryland and of the secretaryship of the interior by Colonel J. J. McCook of New York, the cabinet building task of the president elect is finished.

One of Major McKinley's friends, who has just returned from Canton, brings with him the following authentic list of the McKinley cabinet as it has been finally decided upon

Secretary of State—
John Sherman of Ohio.

Secretary of the Treasury—
Lyman J. Gage of Illinois.

Secretary of War—
Russell A Alger of Michigan

Secretary of the Navy—
John D. Long of Massachusetts

Attorney General—
Joseph McKenna of California

Secretary of the Interior —
J. J. McCook of New York.

Postmaster General—
James A Gary of Maryland.

Secretary of Agriculture—
James Wilson of Iowa

All these selections, excepting those of Colonel McCook and Mr. Gary, were known before

The news that Mr. McCook and Mr Gary had been invited to seats in the cabinet and had accepted was received yesterday by senators and members of congress with many expressions of satisfaction.

In the selection of Colonel McCook the president elect has, it is believed, solved the New York problem in a way which will be satisfactory to everyone He has never held a public office, and, while he is a personal friend of Senator elect Platt has never been a political follower of that gentleman, nor, indeed, a member of any political faction

The New York congressmen say the appointment cannot be criticised on political or any other grounds Mr Platt's particular friends were in favor of the appointment of General Woodford to a place in the cabinet, but it is known that Mr. Platt himself did not care much about the matter There is every reason to believe he will be well satisfied with Colonel McCook, while the original McKinley men in New York of whom Anson McCook, Colonel McCook's brother, was one, are, of course, content. General Horace Porter, known as one of the original McKinley leaders in New York, and probably the next minister to France, is credited with first bringing Colonel McCook to Major McKinley's attention, though the president-elect and the new secretary of the interior have been friends for many years. Colonel McCook is himself an Ohio man, a member of the famous family of McCooks, "the tribute of Daniel," which sent ten sons into the union army

OLD MURDER MYSTERY SOLVED

James Marshall Confesses He Killed a Man from St. Louis.

Chester, Pa., Feb 20 —James P. Marshall was brought to this city yesterday by Chief of Police Thomas H. Berry as the self-accused murderer of a man whose dead body with two bullet holes through his heart was found lying near the bank of Cobb's Creek, in Upper Darby township, Delaware county, on the morning of Feb. 8, 1894.

The crime was one of the mysteries in the annals of Pennsylvania, and bade fair to always remain such. On the body was found a key bearing the name of the Hotel Vendig, Philadelphia, room No. 17, and from this clew it was learned that on Feb 6, 1894, a man registered at the hotel under the name of C A. Danne or Banne, from St Louis, Mo , paid for a night's lodging and was assigned to room No 17. The lodger of room No. 17 left the Hotel Vendig on Feb. 7, and was never seen alive again.

Marshall states that he met a stranger at the Cross Keys hotel, on Market street Philadelphia, near the city line, on the night of Feb. 7, who was under the influence of liquor A lavish display of money which he made excited the cupidity of Marshall and a man whose name he gives as David Wilson, and whom he met at the hotel for the first time Between them they agreed to rob the stranger and after several drinks together Wilson induced the stranger to walk toward home with him, Marshall joining in. The three men crossed the city line and entered Delaware county, and taking advantage of the victim's supposed intoxicated state Marshall and Wilson attempted to rob him The attempt was so strongly resisted that Marshall says Wilson handed him his own revolver and at the distance of about ten paces he fired two shots, both of which took effect in the stranger's left breast. They then divided his money and escaped.

DIED FOR A WOMAN'S LOVE.

Illinois Man Shoots Himself in His Sweetheart's Presence.

Tolono, Ill . Feb. 20 —Crazed with the thought of being jilted by the girl he loved, John Rush sent a bullet through his brain yesterday afternoon and fell dead at the feet of the object of his devotion.

Rush had for some time been keeping company with Miss Addie Sadorus, the handsome young teacher in charge of the Stewart school, a mile and a half west of Tolono Miss Sadorus accepted his attentions. A few days ago they had a quarrel Rush was greatly worried over the trouble and last evening just as Miss Sadorus was starting home he went to the school house with the hope of straightening up their difference His entreaties were of no avail and without warning he drew a revolver from his pocket and placing it to his right temple pulled the trigger and fell at Miss Sadorus' feet and expired in a few minutes Rush was 35 years of age and was in good circumstances. The girl is prostrated

Dr. Coffee's Slayer Acquitted.

Cairo, Ill , Feb. 20 —The jury in the Crabtree case in the Alexander county circuit court brought in a verdict of not guilty yesterday, after having been out three hours and a half Green P. Crabtree was tried for manslaughter. On July 21 last he killed Dr Isaac N. Coffee, president of the state board of pharmacy, stabbing him with a small dirk. They were rival druggists Coffee felt bitterly toward Crabtree because the latter started up an opposition store two doors from Coffee While passing Crabtree's store, while the owner was sitting out in front, Coffee made a vile remark, which Crabtree resented A fight followed, and resulted in Coffee's death, which Crabtree claimed was in self defense.

Harcourt Sympathizes with Crete

London, Feb 20 —Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the leader of the Liberal party, has sent a telegram to the Liverpool Reform club, in which he says

' I earnestly trust the government will not employ the forces of the crown to prevent the liberation of Crete Such a proceeding would be universally condemned by the British nation '

The earl of Kimberley, who was secretar of state for foreign affairs in Lord Roseberry's cabinet sent a dispatch of similar tone.

McKinley Fully Recovered

Canton, Feb 20 —Dr Phillips said that McKinley had fully recovered from his illness, and was probably stronger than ever before, but that from now on he would not receive everybody who called as it was necessary for him to conserve his strength. United States Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, had an interview with McKinley this morning in behalf of Colonel James E. Boyd for a cabinet position He admitted that the selection of Gary of Maryland, made Boyd's chances slight.

Monetary Conference Bill Agreed To.

Washington, Feb 20 —The house committee on coinage decided to report favorably the senate bill for the international monetary conference with amendment authorizing the president, if he saw fit, to seek an agreement by diplomatic negotiations instead of conference Ten of the seventeen members of the committee were present. Three Republicans, six Democrats and one independent eight of whom are free silver men There was no dissent. Five Republicans absented themselves

Threatens Uprising in the Balkans

Athens, Feb 20 —The national league has addressed a memorandum to King George and Premier Delyannis, declaring that if Europe tries to cancel the fait accompli of the union of Crete with Greece the league, through its powerful resources in Macedonia and elsewhere in the Balkans, will provoke a general uprising of Hellenists.

Blizzard in Dakota.

Grand Forks, N D, Feb 20 —This section was visited by another snow storm Snow began to fall yesterday and continued till late last night. The storm west was general but in this vicinity it was light until this morning when the wind changed to the northeast since which it developed into an old fashioned blizzard.

THE BIG SHOW.

Successful Rehearsal at the Grand Friday Afternoon.

ALL IS NOW READY FOR MONDAY NIGHT

The Grand Will be Crowded to Help Out All Angels' Mission—Names of All the Participants—Be There Sure.

It was the special privilege of a Republican reporter yesterday afternoon to witness the rehearsal of the home entertainment to be given at the Grand Monday night for the benefit of All Angels' Episcopal Mission. The entertainment has been in preparation for several weeks. The Republican reporter having witnessed the performance in advance, cheerfully commends the entertainment now to the public. It will be a pleasing revelation and will not fail to win unanimous approval. The best vocal and special talent in the city will be heard and seen and there will be fun alive. You cannot afford to miss the big show, and besides you will have an opportunity of contributing in the price of admission to a most worthy object.

Below we give a full list of all participants together with the program:

The First Part.

Will be the presentation of "The Bicyclers," a farce by John Kendrick Bangs. The following is the cast of characters.

Mr Robert Yardsley, an expert—R. I. Hunt.

Mr. Jack Barlow, another expert—G. Ennis.

Mr. Thaddeus Perkins, a beginner—Leser Wymond.

Mr. Edward Bradley, a scoffer—Will Armstrong.

Mrs. Thaddeus Perkins, a resistant—Miss Lena Ulirich.

Mrs. Edward Bradley, an enthusiast—Miss Corinne Shellabarger.

Jennie, a maid—Miss Bessie Young.

The Second Part,

Will consist of tableaux and minuet under the auspices of the Decatur chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The committees in charge of this part of the program are:

Tableaux—Mrs. A. T. Summers, Mrs. L. P. Libby, Mrs. V. N. Hostetler and Mrs. V. G. Hatch.

Minuet—Mrs. William Barnes, Mrs. Arthur Alexander and Mrs. Lucien Shellabarger.

The program will be as follows:

Song—"The Landing of the Pilgrims," George Dunston.

Tableau—John Alden and Priscilla, Mr. Wymond and Miss Coolidge.

Spinning Song—"Priscilla," Miss Mae Harwood.

Tableau—Lady Washington Tea, Mrs. George Powers as Lady Washington.

Minuet of Ye Olden Tyme by the following young ladies:

Mrs. L. Shellabarger, Mrs. Will Barnes, Mrs. Fred Stoner, Misses Laura Johns, G. Shellabarger, M. Voorhies, Ida Voorhies, Shelby, Edith Race, Eve Hammer, J. Montgomery, Eugenia Harris, Annie Rainey, Louie Boyd, M. Roberts, A. Blackstone,

The Third Part.

Will consist of a minstrel entertainment with the following program:

In the Center—Ben Freeman.

Bones—"Teddy" Barney, "Ikey" Armstrong, "Billes" McBride.

Tambos—"Chick" Freeman, "Lombardi" Patin, "Ali" Freeman.

Semi-circle—Alexander, Bunn, Brown, W. Bramble, B. Bramble, Bowers, Buckmaster, Bellman, Chilson, Colliday, Davis, Dickinson, Dunston, J. Freeman, Gher, Haines, Hoy, Hughes, Irwin, Johnson, Kepler, Kessler, Kelly, Keeler, Myers, Maffit, Morgan, Osborne, Quinlan, Radcliff, Roby, Somerville, Scruggs, Starling, Taggart, Walter Shade, W. A. Boettger.

Program.

Overture—Orchestra.

"The Colored Four Hundred"—Company.

"A Hot Time in Dis Old Town"—J. L. Patin.

"Lifes Lullaby"—R. W. Chilson.

"You'll Always Find Dat Coon Hanging Round"—George Barney.

"Clang of the Forge"—George Dunston.

Buck and Wing Dancing—Walter Wilson.

Song—"Hootchee Cootchee Dance," Charles Freeman.

Male Quartet—Big Four.

"Scatter Yaller Roses on de Way"—F. E. Bunn.

"The Blow Almost Killed Father"—Allerton Freeman.

"The Bandit's Bride"—Arthur Alexander.

Solo—Selected, "Black Patti."

"The Darkey Cavalier"—Company.

Fred W. Church will be the pianist, assisted by the opera house orchestra.

The ladies who will take part in the minuet are being drilled by Mrs. Fannie Johns-Sedgwick and they meet each evening for practice at the home of Mrs. Albert Barnes.

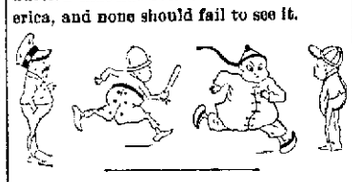
The Methodist church of Hoopeston is now the strongest religious organization in Vermilion county. It has a membership of near 559.

At The Grand.

TO-NIGHT. "THE BROWNIES."

Palmer Cox Himself Will Direct the Big Production.

Tonight C. B. Jefferson, Klaw & Erlanger's great scenic extravaganza, "Palmer Cox's Brownies," will be presented at the Grand opera house for the first time in Decatur. The performance, which will be directed in person by the famous "Brownie Man," Palmer Cox, will be exact in every detail with those of the long run of 150 nights in New York, and the same large burlesque organization of over 100 people, as well as the complete metropolitan equipment of scenery, properties, costumes, electrical and mechanical effects, will be witnessed. Frank Deshon, Ida Mulle, Marie Celeste, Ida Brooks, Gertie Carlyle, Charles Hogan, Sol Solomon, Robert Broderick, and other well known artists will be found in the cast. Among the unique features in "The Brownies" tonight will be found the marvelous flying ballet from the Folies Bergere, Paris; the ballet of the beautiful oriental slave-girls, whose participants are the handsomest, shapeliest young women ever gathered together on the stage; the Boranis, the world's greatest acrobats; Newhouse and Waffle, European musical eccentriques; and an exceedingly funny German band. All of Palmer Cox's laughable Brownie characters will be shown, the Dude, Chinaman, Policeman, Indian, Twins, Dutchman, Irishman, and some thirty other types. Included in the striking spectacular effects will be a storm and shipwreck at sea, an earthquake, a volcano, and the instant destruction of a magnificent palace, while the grand transformation, "The Break of Day in Brownieland," will be the most elaborate that has ever been displayed to a local audience. "The Brownies" is the greatest spectacular production that has ever been made in America, and none should fail to see it.



Morrison's "Faust."

Morrison's superb organization will make its first appearance here this season on Wednesday evening at the Grand in its highly effective and grand production of "Faust," since last seen here the weird and highly picturesque play has been materially improved. Long and costly experiments for producing a flash of lightning in miniature have at last proved successful. The mimic electric discharges from murky clouds add considerably to the wild sublimity of the tumultuous scene on the summit of the Brocken.

Blaney's Best.

Of the many so-called farce comedy writers, there are really two of recognized ability, Charles Hoyt and Charles E. Blaney. Mr. Blaney has given the public "A Railroad Ticket," "A Run on the Bank," "A Baggage Check" and "A Boy Wanted." Of these successful comedies, "A Bagagge Check" is conceded best, for he has always engaged the strongest cast possible. Everything has been rewritten and brought up to date and the entire company are all singers of the latest New York successes, and those desirous of hearing the very latest songs, should not miss this performance at Powers Grand Thursday, Feb. 25.

Once in a while a man surprises the watchers by sitting up in his coffin, and asking why in the world they put him in there. Such things, when they happen, are published far and wide. They are considered well nigh miraculous. Is it any less wonderful when a man is cured of a disease presumed to be fatal? When physicians say to a man that he cannot live, he considers himself just about as good as dead. He can almost feel the coffin closing upon him. And yet, frequently these men who are sentenced to death by their doctors, are raised up out of their sickness to perfect, hearty health.

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Amusing Experience of a Missionary Preacher in India.

A Large Congregation of Simians Occupied Front Seats on a Tree and Punished Their Offspring for Unseemly Levity.

The most singular audience that I ever saw gathered to listen to preaching was an audience of monkeys, says a writer in the Golden Rule.

When I commenced work in the region which I have now occupied for more than 30 years, I asked two fellow missionaries to join me in a preaching tour in the adjacent taluk, or county. We first went with three native assistants to the taluk town, or county seat. Our tents were pitched in the grove adjoining the town. We usually on our tours went two and two to preach in the villages, but this being the taluk town, and the first of our preaching the Gospel in that region, we went in a body into the native city.

Walking through the cloth, spice, grain and iron merchants' bazar streets, and then through the goldsmiths' and silversmiths' street, around through the temple street, and then through the street of Brahman residences to advertise our presence, and incite curiosity to know what we were about, we finally took our stand in the Brahman street, and all joined in singing one of the beautiful Telugu Christian lyrics, and gathered an interested audience.

We stood upon a little raised platform on one side of the street against the house walls. The houses were all of one story, joined together like a city block, with flat roofs, and a low parapet along the front of the roof. One of our native assistants read a portion from the Gospels, and another preached briefly, then one of my fellow missionaries followed, preaching more at length, while I watched the audience to study the countenances of the people among whom I expected to work.

I had noticed that behind the houses on the opposite side of the street there was a long row of trees growing in their back yards, the branches of which stretched out over the roofs.

Chancing to raise my eyes, I noticed many branches of the trees beginning

THE MONKEY CONGREGATION.

to bend downward toward the roofs, and saw the faces of some old jack monkeys peering out through the foliage. Soon some of them jumped down and came forward to see what their "big brothers" in the street were about, as they stood gazing so intently at these white men standing on the platform. Springing upon the parapet they seated themselves, with their hind feet hanging over in front, and gazed with fixedness at the preacher as they saw the people in the street doing.

Other monkeys followed, until there was a long row of them thus seated on the parapet. The late comers I could see walking along behind the parapet, looking for a place wide enough to get a seat. Failing to find wide enough place between two already seated monkeys, they would put up their hands and, pushing each one sidewise, would seem to be saying: "Sit along a little, please, and give a fellow a seat," until the "bench" was crowded.

The audience in the street, standing with their backs toward that row of houses, did not notice the monkeys, and so their attention was not distracted by them.

I had noticed that many mother monkeys had brought their babies to church with them. These little baby monkeys sat upon the thigh of the mother, while her hand was placed around them in a very human fashion, but the sermon was evidently too high for these little folks to comprehend. Glancing up, I saw one of the little monkeys cautiously reach his hand around, and, catching hold of another baby monkey's tail, gave it a pull. The other little monkey struck back, but each mother monkey evidently disapproved of this levity in church, and each gave its own baby a box on the ears, as though saying: "Sit still! Don't you know how to behave in church?" The little monkeys, thus reprimanded, turned the most solemn faces toward the preacher, and seemed to listen intently to what he was saying.

With the exception of a monkey now and then trying to catch a flea that was biting him in some tender spot, they thus sat demurely until the preacher finished his sermon and until we had distributed Gospels and tracts among the audience, and had started for our tents.

Our "celestial audience," seeing our "terrestrial audience" dispersing, then, and not until then, left their seats and demurely walked back and sprang upon the branches again. There were no "monkey capers" as they went; they were as serious as a congregation leaving a church, and sat upon the branches in a meditative mood as though thinking over what they had heard the preacher say. And thus we left our unique monkey audience.

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Lincoln, Neb., account Biennial Conference, Seventh Day Adventists. Tickets sold Feb. 17; good returning only leaving Lincoln March 6th. One fare, plus $2.00, for round trip. Tickets are on sale at one and one-third fare on certificate plan, on Feb. 7th, 15th, 22d and March 1st.

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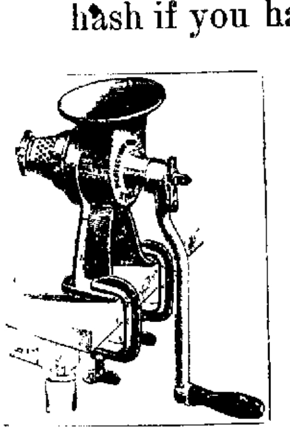

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Decatur Steam Bakery bread and McKinney's St. Louis bread at the Economy.—17-dtf

Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera House Drug store.

To possess one means riches unequalled by Rothschild or Count of Monte Cristo, one of our money saving tickets. Call and have it explained. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., 243 North Main street.—19-d2t

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

George W. Nichols, negro, born a slave, is candidate for the election as city treasurer of Danville. He is a prominent man of that city, where he has lived twenty-six years.

Don't forget that there is only six more weeks for shell oysters. Get those delicious blue points, Rockaways and box, opened and delivered to your residence by the Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—18-d3t

Twenty-five thousand English sparrows have been killed and the bounty paid by Champaign county since Dec. 1. For years the eaves of the court house roof have furnished a home for the birds, but owing to the number of marksmen constantly firing at them they have either all been killed off or sought other quarters.

The Peoria bicycle club has been arranging to secure a lease of the Lightner property on the corner of Hamilton street and Jefferson avenue and have obtained the signatures of all but one of the heirs. If this can be obtained they will remodel the building and fit up elaborate club headquarters.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 433, new phone 435. M. F. Metz.—21-dtf

Miss Bessie Grist entertained a number of her friends at her residence on East Jefferson street last night. Those present were Retha Roark, Rose Rehling, Rose Ruckle, Cora Dwyer, May Latham, Dora Kramer, Christina Mexenberger and Bessie Grist and Messrs. R. J. Thiel, Will Young, Will Ruckle, Harry Nicholson, James Elgin, Mr. Spiller, Henry Wallace and Orpha Wallace. The evening was spent with music and dancing.

Henry McIntyre of this city has just closed a contract with the Electric Baloon Specialty Co. and will travel on the road with that company during the summer season. The company starts from Chicago in April. Harle Wilson, who at present is engaged with the Beach & Bowers minstrel aggregation, will join the Electric Balloon company at Nashville, Tenn., in August. Wilson is to be in Decatur with the minstrel troupe two nights next month.

Banks Will Close.

All of the Decatur banks will close on next Monday, Feb. 22, to observe Washington's birthday.—19-d2t

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PYTHIANS AT HOME.

The Members of Chevalier Bayard Lodge Give a Reception.

ATTENDANCE LARGE—PLEASANT EVENT

Excellent Program Observed in the Newly Decorated Castle Hall—Guests Entertained Handsomely—Refreshments and Dance.

The members of Chevalier Bayard lodge, No. 189, Knights of Pythias, in celebrating the 33d anniversary of the organization of the order of Knights of Pythias, gave a very charming reception and entertainment last night at their newly decorated castle hall in library block. The handsome and commodious rooms were crowded at an early hour. Everybody was most cordially received by the gallant Knights who were assisted by the ladies of Fern Leaf Temple, Rathbone Sisters, in doing the honors. The embellishments of the castle hall were greatly admired and all felt at home. Nearly 300 guests were present. Before the gathering was called to order the orchestra directed by Leo Hellbrun played El Capitan and other selections. Arthur McNabb, chancellor commander of the lodge, presided during the formal exercises and delivered a happy address of welcome.

The Exercises.

Overture........................Orchestra
Address....................."Pythianism."
I. A. Buckingham.
Vocal Solo—"Creole Love Song,"..........Smith
Mrs. Adelene E. Mueller.
Violin Duet,........................La Verginelle
Mr. J. B. Werner, Mr. Ralph Carter.
Reading................."Mygel Snyder's Party."
Mr. J. W. Carter.
Selection..........................Orchestra
Quartette—"Arion Waltz"..................Vogel
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gher, Mrs. Mueller,
Mr. Montgomery.
Valse Brillante.....................M. Moszkowski
Miss Alberta Whitmer, Miss Adele Lower.
Bolene......"Massa in de Cold, Cold Ground."
Mr. W. L. Smith.
Vocal Solo................"My Dream of You."
Mr. R. W. Chilson.
Benediction.............Rev. J. Bedford-Jones

Each and every member was enthusiastically received and a number of responses were given, much to the delight of the audience.

Pythianism.

Rev. W. F. Gillmore had been selected to deliver the anniversary address, but he was unavoidably absent. Mr. I. A. Buckingham filled the vacancy and delivered an excellent address. He said:

"Ladies and gentlemen, brother knights and knightesses: That last word may not be found in all dictionaries but it means a knight's wife. Through all ages we have had societies formed for protection and charity. In the twelfth century the Knights Templar were formed for the protection of the weak and charity to the poor. We have had various kinds of knighthood throughout the ages. A knight means a servant or a follower. Knights as we know them do not look that way today. They wear three cornered hats and fine uniforms and always look like they were going on dress parade. The Knights of Pythias form a comparatively new organization. It was not until the year 1864 that the word had been heard of or spoken. It started with a few men in the midst of a gigantic war. The scheme was to form an order that would furnish comfort to those who had to bear the ravages of war and the organization prospered more than they could hope for. There are now one half million of men in the ranks which makes a grand army itself. Knights of Pythias are all good. The ladies do not feel just as good sometimes when their husbands go to lodge meeting as they would if they were at home but if they could come here to our lodge room they would find an anxious inquiry after the good of men and they admire the men who founded the society. Ladies, the knights in the lodge room are your friends. Those who need help are never turned away from them. Friendship is one of the sweetest things on the earth. This order started with friendship." The old story of Damon and Pythias which never grows old was related by the speaker and then he continued. "Let me ask if there are any Damons here. Wonderful was the friendship of these two men. If you knew a man that would take your place in jail with the death penalty over him would that not bind you together? Damon went away and knew that his friend would suffer if he did not return. Hurrying to his death Damon relieved the man who was about to be killed for him. How many Damons have we here tonight? Is there any one here who would like to have him for a friend? Pythias and Damon furnish the models for our friendship. How many of us have some little thing which is keeping us from a friend. It is a good deal better to be friends. If you have your way clouded you have some place to go where you will meet friends and you can counsel together. Some men join church and you can't tell any difference in their conduct. Some men come into a lodge that way. After they get there they feel that they do not need friendship. They do not realize the importance of loving one another. There are a good many things in this world and within our reach if we will but take them. There is a great deal that is good in the human heart.

When the people of our city read the story of a poor family in want before it was fairly light they were carrying bread and other good things to them. I say that the world is getting better. Men and women are getting better. The world is better this week than it was last week. If there is but one thing that makes it better it is the action of little Greece as she stepp[ed] in against Turkey. The world admires bravery and the world loves a kind act. When you see the letters "F. C. B." on a watch charm or pin of a Knight don't think that means fresh country butter. It means friendship, charity and benevolence. I would that instead of half a million Pythins wearing it there were 5,000,000 of them. When you begin to bring men to the bible you have brought them nearer to their relation of God and men. Rev. Vosburg once told me that every benevolent society that had a bible in the lodge rooms carried it ahead of the church. Another thing we do besides bringing man in closer relation to themselves and God is that very frequently when he joins our lodge it is the turning point in his life. That point is reached frequently by coming into a benevolent society. If every one here tonight will make a resolve to make some one happy we will have more happiness in our city tomorrow than we have ever had. You don't have to go to South Africa to dispense charity. Right at your own door are people who want your help and encouragement. Give it to them and make them happy. Give them flowers while they live, let the coffin go to the graveyard without fowers. If the principles of the Knights of Pythias are studied and if the lessons they teach are carried home nowife will regret the absence of husband from his home while he is attending lodge.

Before pronouncing the benediction Rev. J. Bedford-Jones, rector of the All Angels' Episcopal Mission on East Eldorado, took occasion to warmly endorse the work of all the benevolent societies. He said they were doing a work for the good of humanity which the church does not perform. They were ministering to the physical wants of man in extending the hand of charity and benevolence, while the church paid attention chiefly to the spiritual side of common humanity. He heartily commended the benevolent societies in their practical work—lodges that act and work, while the ministers preach.

Chancellor Commander McNabb thanked the company for their attendance and attention, and announced that refreshments would be served in the banquet hall, and that there would be dancing in the room across the hall. The refreshments, which were delicious, embracing hot coffee, sandwiches, cake, ice cream, etc., were served upon small tables by the ladies of Fern Leaf Temple. Everything was free and throughout the entire evening there were guests at the tables, many coming in from the dancing hall.

The dance was a very popular feature of the reception, particularly with the young people. There were twelve numbers and a lot of extras on the program with Hal Snyder as the prompter.

The celebration entertainment was a complete success, one of the handsomest and most enjoyable Pythian gatherings ever given in the city. Many visiting Knights were present to enjoy the festivities.

High School News.

The members of the Alpha Beta and Sapphonian literary societies held an open meeting last night at the high school building in the presence of a large number of friends. It was a meeting in memory of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln and there were appropriate decorations. Ralph Cruzan presided and delivered a short address. This program was carried out.

Piano duet—Jessie Nichols and Walter Shade.

Reading—Lives of Lincoln and Washington, Edith Montgomery.

Vocal Solo—Miss Greene.

Recitation, "The Battle of Berna Vita," —Patricia Hunt.

Piano Solo—Lucille Bonbrake.

Reading, "The Lincoln Oration at Gettysburg"—Charles Record.

Recitation—Edith Starr.

Whistling Solo—Marie Powers.

Reading—Wayne Williams.

Quartet—Mame Green, Estelle Williams, Wilbur Starling, Charles Steele.

Song, "America"—By everybody, led by Miss French.

Death of Philip Clark.

Philip Clark, for over forty years a resident of DeWitt county, died at Clinton yesterday. Mr. Clark was an extensive traveler in his younger days. He was the author of a guide to California, and is the last one of Abraham Lincoln's early friends. Mr. Clark was intimately associated with Lincoln when the latter was a flatboatman, and served with him in the Black Hawk war. He was personally known to the late David Martin, and all veterans of the Black Hawk war have frequently referred to him in recognition of his personal worth.

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of the late Mrs. J. J. Peddecord will take place from the family residence on North Franklin street Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. W. F. Gillmore of Grace M. E. church, will officiate.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

WILL BE HELD IN DECATUR.

The Republican Supreme Judicial District Convention on April 15th.

The following letter to Captain Lytle in reference to the time and place of holding the Republican convention for the nomination of a candidate for this supreme judicial district explains itself:

Danville, Ill., Feb. 14th, 1897.

Mr. R. P. Lytle, chairman of County Central Committee: Dear Sir:—Having received answers from the several chairmen of county central committees to my letter of the 27th ult., and all agreeing that a meeting of the committee would be unnecessary, eleven expressing a preference for Decatur, three for Springfield and two for Bloomington as a place for holding the supreme judicial convention, and being practically unanimously agreed upon the date. April 15th, and the basis of representation as one thousand, I have hereby made the call for said convention, to be held at Decatur, April 15, 1897, at 1 p. m., and request that all counties within this supreme judicial district will send delegates, representation to be one for each one thousand votes, or major part thereof, cast for McKinley.

It is further requested that you proceed to select the delegates for the said convention in any way satisfactory to your committee. Very truly yours, W. R. Jewell, chairman, Danville; R. A. Russell, secretary, Bloomington.

The counties comprising the supreme district are Macon, Sangamon, Logan, DeWitt, Piatt, Douglas, Champaign, Vermillion, McLean, Livingston, Ford, Iroquois, Coles, Edgar, Moultrie and Tazewell; total, 16. Under the plan of representation Macon county will be entitled to sixteen delegates, who are to be selected by Chairman Lytle, authorized to do so by resolution adopted at the recent meeting of the Republican county central committee.

There will be an assemblage of eighty-five delegates to the supreme court convention in Decatur on April 15. It will be a gathering of distinguished getlemen as delegates and it is expected that there will be many visitors besides the delegates.

Judge J. W. Wilkin of Danville, the present incumbent is a candidate for renomination. If there are others they will be made known in due time.

HONOR DAY.

Special Exercises at the Presbyterian Sunday Shool.

Sunday will be honor day at the First Presbyterian church Sunday school. Certificates will be awarded all members of the school who have been faithful in the observance of all regulations during the past year. There are sixty-four members of the school in the class. The following program will be observed

Bell taps, silence, Lords' prayer; roll call; music; prayer, P. P. Laughlin, offerings; announcements; bible reading; lesson study; secretary's report; music; awarding certificates. Mr O. W. Miller, state worker; superintendent's commendation; Endeavor benediction.

Sold the Bee Hive Store.

A. F. Gebhart, assignee of Mamie Dennis, proprietress of the Bee Hive grocery store on North Water street, yesterday sold the store to W. M. Sammon of this city and D. A. Morris of Illiopolis. The consideration was $783.34, which is considered a very good price. The new firm is in possession of the store. Mr. Dennis will stay with them until they get better acquainted with the trade. Mr. Dennis has not made up his mind yet just what he will do in the future. He has been in business in that block for the past sixteen years. He was in the hardware business for fourteen years, but sold out to his father when he bought the grocery. He is a tinner by trade and may either work at that or engage in the hardware business again.

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WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Rain this afternoon; clearing and colder tonight. Sunday, fair, colder; brisk southerly shifting to westerly winds.

"Moderate Protection."

American Economist: There is one point which congress should carefully consider in framing a new tariff bill. No "moderate" protection should be tolerated where the moderation can only be effected by compelling the laborer to accept the low scale of wages made necessary by the Wilson bill. What the country demands is a complete restoration of the wage earner's purchasing capacity as it existed before the free trade onslaught upon our industries; for it is the two or three billions of dollars in wages which protection caused to circulate freely in the United States that will bring domestic trade up to the high water mark.

No patriotic American should be content with less than his old McKinley prosperity; and it certainly will not return with any "moderate" protection. Let labor be considered first in every instance. It is the poor man, working with his hands from day to day, who buys the most liberally in proportion to his income and makes the great bulk of our volume of trade. Save the American markets for the products of American labor and make the tariff embrace the highest possible wages consistent with the ratio of the American labor supply to the demand for labor. Congress should carefully examine every proposal for a "moderate" tariff and see if it is not the result of a compromise by which a touch of free trade is to be maintained, so that the wages of the workmen can be left upon the level to which they were hammered down by the Gorman-Wilson law.

Board of Pardons.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature providing for a board of pardons consisting of three members to be appointed by the governor. The bill seeks to empower the board to hear and determine all applications for pardon or commutation of sentence. While perhaps this is not the best time we have ever had to create any new pecuniary obligations which of course would accompany the organization of any new board of commissioners, the object is a good one. The item of considering the multitude of applications for pardons in this state with its present population has become a great burden to the governor of the state, and it would be well to relieve him from this duty.

It has reached a point where these applications in some cases almost amount to a retrial of the case and the governor is forced to listen to long and specious arguments by attorneys or read volumes of manuscript in order to give petitioners a fair hearing. And doing the best he can the governor cannot give them the consideration he should without interfering with the other and more proper business of his office. Right here comes in the interests of the commonwealth. It is not fair to neglect these interests and it is unfair to turn criminals loose upon the commonwealth upon a superficial examination of the applications as was evidently done in many cases by Altgeld. A board of pardons could take up these cases and do justice to both criminal and people and in view of this the chances are that the pardoning power would not be so often abused as it has been in the past and so many hardened criminals would not be turned loose as in the past to recommit crime and be tried at the people's expense and sent back to prison only to come up again to torment the governor at the people's expense.

The criminal classes are becoming a source of greater expense to the people year by year and it is time that the item of expense must receive more consideration than in the past, and when criminals are justly convicted and sent to prison they should be left there, unless there is some extraordinary reason to pardon them, and they should be made to pay their way while in prison. It is enough that the people are forced to stand the expense of the trial of these public enemies, which in the state of Illinois is enormous, reaching into millions annually. A board of pardons if properly and honestly organized could save the people annually much more than their salaries would amount to.

Like Interests.

Major McKinley once said: "Your interests as a people no longer run on sectional lines." This is true, combat it as you will. It is a fact that has just been fully and conclusively demonstrated by the election of a party to power pledged to destroy protection as a tariff principle. The depression and the idleness which came as a result is universal. There is [illegible] section of land in the United States which is inhabited that has not suffered the consequences. It has oftentime been said that protection only benefitted the north and that the result of its operation was to tax the south for the benefit of the north. And this fallacy was believed in the south so much that when the attempt was made to secede from the union the confederate constitution was made to explicitly declare that no tariff should ever be laid for protection or the fostering of any industry.

Added to this error, as to sectional interests, there was also the error that protection only benefitted those who were directly interested in manufacturing. That it did not benefit the farmer, the carpenter, or the physician; and that all unprotected trades and professions were taxed for the benefit of those engaged in manufacturing. But when the party came into power threatening the destruction of the protective policy and the manufacturers began to trim their sails for the promised storm, and idleness instead of employment became the rule, it was as difficult for the carpenter to get work as it was for the man who worked in the factory. It was as hard for the farmer to find a profitable market as it was for the manufacturer. The power of the people to consume had been destroyed and in short all the people suffered alike and all sections suffered alike. This was the lesson. It this is not sufficient let us watch the evolution from depression to prosperity, when protection is again reinstated. As soon as the American mills begin running again and the mill men are called into employment, the carpenter, right on their heels will be called upon to take up his plane and saw for the reason that as soon men are again employed in the mills there will be houses to repair and houses and mills to build, and every trade and profession will enjoy a new pulsation north, south, east and west. Our interests as a people are not divided along the lines of protected and so-called unprotected pursuits or trades. Whenever one great calling in life is crippled every other calling suffers. As it is put in holy writ, the head cannot say to the body I have no need of thee, nor can the hands say to the feet I have no need of thee. Every part must be perfect to have a perfect body. To be healthy the heart must send the blood into the most remote extremity of the body. The great heart that sets the rivers of prosperity going is the manufacturing industries of the country. When they are built up and running they furnish markets and enable men to employ carpenters, to buy the merchants' goods, pay doctors and dentists' bills and the whole body in every part is perfect. Surely, as McKinley says, "our interests as a people are no longer run on sectional lines."

The usual complaint is heard as to the extravagance of the river and harbor bill which recalls the fact that when a river and harbor bill was under consideration, while Proctor Knott was in congress, that gentleman proposed to amend an item in the bill, providing for the improvement of an insignificant stream, so as to provide for macadamizing the stream. The idea this was intended to convey was that macadamizing would be the cheaper method of improving the stream. No particulars have been given out this year, but it may be that the committee has not provided for macadamizing enough streams.

The Grecian injection into the eastern question is bringing out a lot of unspeakable names that have not before been heard of. They are puzzling the telegraph operators as well as the Turks.

Among the residents in Constantinople are 200,000 Greeks which is not an especially pleasant condition from the Turkish point of view.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City Ill., was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggere, 139 Florida street, San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. At West's Drug Store.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
W. H. Penhallegon, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., A. H. Mills, supt. Services at 10.45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Geo. W. Miller, of Paris will preach in the morning, and Rev. A. W. Hawkins, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, in the evening. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
Strangers and others not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., W. D. Wells, Supt.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.
Corner of Macon street and Haworth avenue, Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., P. P. Laughlin, Supt.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH.
On Spring Avenue. Rev. I. T. Pearman, pastor in charge. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Seven Things Which God Hates." Evening subject, "The Righteous and the Wicked." Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Young People's Christian Endeavor at 7:00 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.
Lesson-sermon from the Bible, and "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Rev. Mary Baker Eddy, at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "The Martyrdom of Stephen." Friday evening testimonial meeting at 7.45. Review Building.

SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Rev. Frank N. Atkin rector. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Holy Communion at 7 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 10.30 a. m. Evensong and sermon at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. D. F. Howe pastor. Class meeting at 9 a. m. Sunday school at 9.45 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Banqueting Beneath the Banner of Love." Lord's Supper after sermon. Evening theme, "Farewell Words of a Great Traitor." Prelude: "Farewell Words of a Great Patriot, Washington." Endeavor service at 6 45 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public and to all not worshiping elsewhere.

SARGEANT'S CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Class meeting at 3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Corner North Water and East North streets Rev. D. R. MacGregor, pastor, residence, 450 N. College street. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10 45. Sermon by the pastor, subject: "Christ's Estimate of Souls." Evening Frontispiece. "Washington's Birthday." Gospel address, "The First Thing to Do."
Baptists, together with commercial travelers, and those without church homes in our city, are cordially invited. Intermediate Endeavor Sunday evening at 6:30. Senior C. E. Monday evening at 7:30.

SERVICES AT EAST PARK CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:30 p. m., J. Edward Saxton, superintendent.
Those in the vicinity of the Chapel are cordially invited.

EDWARD STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Corner West William and Edward streets. Rev. Marion Stevens pastor. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m., E. March, Supt. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor. Morning subject, "Paul's Death." Evening, "God's Power." Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. A full attendance of the members of the church is desired. Those not worshiping elsewhere cordially invited. All seats free.
Leafland Avenue Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.
W. F. Gillmore, D. D., pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor. Morning: "A Bruised reed shall he not break." Evening: "What Shall We Drink?" Epworth League Monday evening.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH.
Corner of North Main and William streets, Rev. Frank C. Oberly, pastor. Sunday School at 9:15 a. m., Dr. N. D. Myers, Supt. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. W. A. Sadtler, Ph. D., of Chicago. A cordial welcome extended to all to worship with the congregation.

ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHAPEL.
Corner Leafland Ave. and Charles St. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN TABERNACLE.
Church street, between Eldorado and North. Rev. Geo. F. Hall, pastor. Prof. M. S. Calvin, Musical Director. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; C. W. Lewman, Supt. Preaching at usual hours morning and evening.
The Big Chorus of 100 voices will sing both morning and evening. Strangers in the city especially invited.
Riverside Mission School at 2:30 p. m.

GOOD WAY MISSION.
Corner Bradford and Water streets. Preaching by Rev. Henry Lunn at 3:45 p. m. Also meeting every Friday evening at 7:30. Everybody invited to be present at all these meetings.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. J. Bernard, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "We Preach Not Ourselves." Evening, "Above Fine Gold." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., W. L. Hurt, supt. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH.
The Centenary U. B. church, corner of N. Broadway and Eldorado streets, M. B. Spayd, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m., T. G. Ruthroff, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning: Rev. Trueblood, D. D., of Kearney, Neb., will fill the pulpit. Evening, "Washing the Disciples' Feet."

Around Home.

Bearsdale.

Mrs. E. Shrum and son, Charles, returned to their home in Wauneta, Neb., Monday last.

Those who will move this spring are as follows: Charles Pharis will move on the Powers place, vacated by Mrs. Carr; A. E. Butt will occupy the place where Charles Pharis now lives. Will Lasters will move to the old Dempsey place where A. E. Butt now resides. Mr. Val Cravens will move about three miles north of Warrensburg. Mr. William Speras will move near Moweaqua. Newton Lehew will move on Mr. S. Troutman's farm, one mile north of here, and Charles Lehew moves near Blue Mound.

Miss Myrtle Nieman and John Watkins were united in holy wedlock at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. William Baum, Wednesday evening, in the presence of about sixty relatives and friends.

Mrs. H. Pharis and daughter, Lucile, and Mrs. Val Cravens spent Thursday at Mrs. Hugh Park's.

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Milmine.

Stillman Barber transacted business in Cerro Gordo Friday.

Mrs. Showalter was in Monticello today on business.

C. E. Schlagle and Ballard Showalter are visiting in Monticello this week.

Grandma Shepherd still remains very low.

The elevators here are not experiencing a very heavy rush of corn at present on account of the roads being in a very bad condition for hauling.

R. M. Shepherd had his sale Thursday. Bob is contemplating a trip south soon with his family.

Willie Tillie made his regular trip to Cerro Gordo last night. Will can tell how many ties there are between Cerro Gordo and Milmine, if any one wishes to be so informed.

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REDUCED PRICES FOR 30 DAYS.
Ladies' and Children's Dresses, Cloaks, Wrappers and Capes dyed and dry cleaned. No ripping apart. Lace and chenile and portiers dry cleaned at reduced prices for February, by the leading practical dyers and dry cleaners of Decatur. H. H. Miller & Bro., 145 North Main street.

Louis Reifstack, a farmer, while riding in a fox chase near Tolono, had a leg broken by the falling of his horse.

VICTIM OF HIS LEG.

Wooden Limb Gets Caught in a Tie and Kills Its Owner.

A wooden leg worn by John Comeaugh caused its possessor to meet a tragic death on the Lehigh Valley railroad at Excelsior, Pa.

Mr. Comeaugh, who was about 50 years old, had come to Shamokin earlier in the day, and, after spending some time there, started to walk home. Tired by his tramp, which was not made any easier by the fact that he only possessed one sound leg, Mr. Comeaugh decided to take the shortest cut to his home, a path which made it necessary for him to cross the railroad tracks.

As he came near the track, Mr. Comeaugh heard the noise of an approaching train, but paid little atten-

CAUGHT IN THE TIE.

tion to it, thinking he had plenty of time to make the crossing. When he stepped on the rail, however, he found to his horror that the train, which was a passenger, was dashing round a curve near by at a rapid rate, and he prepared to spring out of the way of danger.

In his anxiety he failed to look where he was stepping, and the steel point of his wooden leg slipped into a crack in one of the splintered cross ties, and his struggles to release it only seemed to cause it to become more firmly embedded in the wood.

Neighbors who saw Mr. Comeaugh's terrible predicament started to his assistance, but before they could reach him he succeeded in releasing his leg by a violent exertion, but in doing so lost his balance and fell directly across the track.

With a second more time he would probably have escaped injury, but as he jumped to his feet the engine of the passenger train was upon him. Before he could do more than give a shriek the pilot struck him with stunning force, his body being hurled down a steep embankment, mangled and lifeless.

The accident occurred within sight of the home to which he was hastening.

A NEW WOMAN'S NERVE.

How a Self-Possessed Philadelphia Lady Saved Her Life.

The Philadelphia Inquirer in a recent issue tells how one new woman saved her life. It was not done in a dignified manner, and while the rescue was going on the woman was not certain that she would ultimately be saved, but the result left nothing to be desired.

"It was at the corner of Eleventh and Market streets," said the Inquirer, "when a middle-aged woman who had evidently been out shopping perambulated Market street, looking from one side to the other, wondering if there was anything she had forgotten. When everything was in a helter and skelter, everybody was in haste, either to catch a train or boat, this woman, whose name could not be obtained, made a bold effort to cross the street, but before getting far she was cut off by a

SITTING ON THE WAGON POLE.

trolley car and a Chestnut street piano wagon. For a moment everything was in confusion. Women on the sidewalk nearly dropped for fear that the woman would meet with an accident, but the men laughed when they saw this flimsy woman start to return to the pavement; but, alas! she was overtaken by the piano wagon. The woman, seeing what a predicament she was in, gave a little leap and landed on the pole chains of the piano wagon, the driver meanwhile endeavoring to stay his team. Before he had succeeded the woman was gracefully sitting on the wagon pole, with an arm over the neck of each horse. The horses showed no surprise, but simply stared at each other as if to say: 'Well, Dick, do you want this new woman?' The other horse persisted in strolling along and licking the woman's face. She did not laugh, nor did she scream, and after a half minute of amusement the driver brought his team to a standstill, and the woman was safely landed on the other side of the street."

Oldest Street in Maine.

India street, in Portland, Me., is one of the oldest streets in Maine, if not the oldest. The Express of that city says it can be traced back to a path worn through the woods by the aborigines.

TWO REASONS

Might be named that have contributed largely in placing our MUSLIN UNDERWEAR Department at the very head of all similar departments in the city.

This Is One Reason: It is a matter of current comment that only here are such LOW PRICES for such HIGH QUALITIES found.

Every season we clear out all the old stock and gather new. No point of excellence is sacrificed. Straight from the manufacturer they come to you, at prices that make trash extravagant. That's the Second Reason.

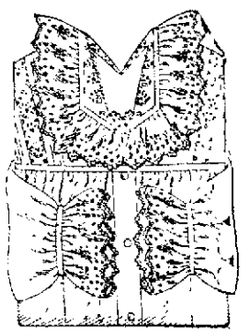
There are other reasons just as good, but read the short descriptions here, then call and see the goods.

Misses' Night Gown, made of good muslin, but very full, with ruffle on neck and sleeves..... 35c

Ladies' exceptionally fine Muslin Gown, embroidery insertion in yoke and embroidery ruffle at neck..... 49c

An Extra Fine Muslin Night Gown, with large English embroidered collar and Bishop sleeves. Daintily finished and a great leader, at..... 75c

Ladies' Night Gown, a decidedly high-class creation, with surplice bosom trimmed with lace, insertion band in yoke, full length and made of a superior quality of muslin. A splendid bargain, at..... 98c



Ladies' Skirts, made of good quality of muslin, tucks and embroidery trimmed, each..... 35c, 49c, 68c

A Fine Muslin Skirt, "Ombrelle" style, knee ruffle and cluster of tucks. Our special price..... 75c

Cambric Corset Covers, some finished with bias bands of same, and some with insertion trimmed V neck. For this sale..... 11c, 12½c, 15c

Ladies' Muslin Drawers; with cambric ruffles and tucks. A great bargain in medium priced goods. Per pair..... 24c

We show a very complete line of Children's Goods at prices which will interest the most economical.

79c for FOSTER KID GLOVES.

We have purchased a lot of 50 dozen genuine Foster Paul Kid Gloves, in blacks, browns and tans. These goods are the very perfection of elegance in workmanship and fit. They always sell for $1.00 and $1.25. The Big Store's incomparable price, per pair..... 79c

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120 EAST PRAIRIE STREET.

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All Goods at Fire Sale Prices.

COME AND GET WHAT YOU WANT. The fire loss of December 28 has been adjusted and all new and slightly damaged goods—as good as new—will go at astonishingly low figures. Come early. Dry Goods, Groceries—everything, are in THE GREAT BARGAIN SALE.

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NEW TELEPHONE, 248.

J. B. Bullard,

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SYNDICATE BLOCK, NORTH MAIN ST.,

Where everything pertaining to the funeral business is furnished and attended to in the highest style of art. Calls day or night will receive prompt attention. In connection a receiving vault. Residence 262 West William street. Residence Telephone 128. Office, 126.

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3500 " Indigo Blue Calico,
1800 " Henrietta Cashmere, at 16c yd.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 48
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3 dozen Men's Black Cheviot Suits, price
3 dozen Men's Fancy All Wool Suits, pric
6 dozen Men's All Wool Pants, all colors, this sale.....
4 dozen Heavy Cottonade Pants, price $1.
5 dozen Men's fine Outing Flannel Nightg
5 dozen Men's Muslin Gowns, fancy boson
25 dozen Men's Outing Flannel Overshirt
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We just received a new line of Men's, will sell for this sale at a Great Bargain.
36 pair Ladies' Dongola Button Shoe, pric
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36 pairs Child's Shoes at.....
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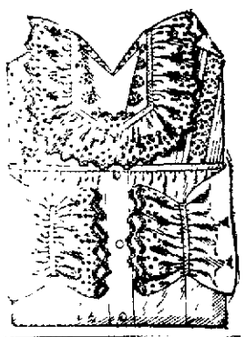

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FOR SPRING.

Just Received.

See the New CUBAN FLAT, The Latest.

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Dress Goods Department.

2500 yds. of Worsted Plaids for Dresses at 4½c yd.
2500 " Light Calico, very best, at 3c yard.
3000 " Apron Gingham at 3c yard.
3500 " Indigo Blue Calico, very best, at 4½c yd.
1800 " Henrietta Cashmere, all colors, 36 inches wide, at 16c yd.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 48c.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 65c.

Clothing Department.

3 dozen Men's Black Cheviot Suits, price $8.00—for this sale.....$3.75
3 dozen Men's Fancy All Wool Suits, price $11.00—for this sale..... 6.98
6 dozen Men's All Wool Pants, all colors, in heavy weight, price $2.75—for this sale 1.98
4 dozen Heavy Cottonade Pants, price $1.00—this sale..... 58c
5 dozen Men's fine Outing Flannel Nightgowns, price $1.50—for this sale.... 75c
5 dozen Men's Muslin Gowns, fancy bosom and cuffs, for this sale..... 40c
25 dozen Men's Outing Flannel Overshirts, full size, at..... 25c

Shoe Department.

We just received a new line of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, which we will sell for this sale at a Great Bargain.

36 pairs Ladies' Dongola Button Shoe, price $1.75 and $2.00, for this sale.....$1.10
9 pairs Boys' Fine Calf Skin Shoe, razor toe, price $1.50, for this sale..... 98c
36 pairs Child's Shoes at..... 38c
72 pairs Men's Fine Calf Skin Shoes, razor toe, at.....$1.18
72 pairs Ladies' Rubbers at..... 20c

Cloak Department.

48 Black, Fine Jackets, regular price $10 and $12. Your choice for this sale.....$3.50

Thousands of other articles which we will offer at A GREAT BARGAIN.

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YOURS RESPECTFULLY,

SAVINGS BANK STORE.

HOPKINS OBJECTS TO BACK PAY.

The Son of the Late Speaker Crisp Tries to Defend the Rulings of His Father.

Washington, Feb. 20.—The house resumed consideration of the general deficiency bill. A spirited debate occurred on the motion of Hopkins (Rep. Ill.) to strike out the item of $12,000 to pay the members of the 53rd congress, amount withheld from them on account of absence. Hopkins declared the Democratic speaker (Crisp) supported by a Democratic majority, made these reductions to hold a quorum. If the Democrats desired to reverse their policy they should not apply to a Republican house at this time when they are complaining of "billion dollar" appropriations.

Crisp, the speaker's son, explained that his father's ruling were in accord with the interpretation of the law given by the judiciary committee.

TEXAS GETS ITS SILVER SERVICE

Capt. Glass Officially Accepts It from the Government of Texas.

Galveston, Texas, Feb. 20.—Ten thousand people witnessed the presentation of the silver service to the battleship Texas yesterday afternoon. The presentation took place on the open lawn in front of the Beach hotel. The presentation was made by Governor Culberson, surrounded by his staff, in full uniform, and distinguished visitors from all over the state. Captain Glass and officers of the battleship were escorted to the Beach by the marine corps and by seven companies of the national guard.

Record-Breaking Sale of Hogs.

Taylorville, Ill., Feb. 20.—At the Hart-Minnis combination sale of hogs held at Edinburg, twelve miles northwest of here yesterday, forty-two head brought $136,131.20, an average price of $314.60, thus breaking the world's record for hog sales, the previous average price being $251. Look Me Over, a 7-year-old boar, brought $3600. This is the highest price ever brought by any hog at public auction. The Look Me Over Breeding Association of Stanberry was the purchaser. Anderson's Model, a sow, was purchased by G. W. Mull of Carthage, Mo., for $1575, which sum is $25 more than was ever previously paid for a sow.

Women's Political Club.

The members of the Woman's Club for Political Study held their regular semi-monthly meeting this afternoon at the city council rooms. Mrs. Badenhausen presided. Mrs. Underwood conducted a parliamentary drill and this was followed by a discussion on the Cuban question. Each member read an article on the Cuban war and the question was discussed at length. Notes on the legislature and congress were brought up and discussed. The club is composed of women who meet every two weeks and study political questions.

Greek Meets Turk on the Frontier

London, Feb. 20.—A dispatch to the Times from Vienna says that the Neue Freie Presse publishes a report from Salonica to the effect that a collision has occurred between the Turkish soldiers and the Greek insurgents at Naszlita, near the Greek frontier. The Turks were defeated with losses and withdrew for reinforcements. The governor of Salonica has ordered the troops to the point where the disturbance took place. The population along the Greek frontier, according to the Neue Freie Presse, is eagerly awaiting the signal to rise against the Turks.

Greeks Capture a Cretan Fort.

Canea, Island of Crete, Feb. 20.—The garrison of Fort Voukolies, comprising 300 soldiers and 100 Cretan Mussulmans, after being dislodged by the Greek artillery retired to Alliklanu, where their force was again beleaguered. Fighting is still preceding. The government has armed a number of Mussulman volunteers, who have started to the rescue of their coreligionists.

Sales of Real Estate.

Charles G. Powers to Mattie J. Myers, strip of ground 6x182½ feet in block 3 in North addition, $200.

Levi Cross and wife, one-eighth interest in 11, 15, 1 east, $1.

Edward L. Martin to F. Behrend, lot 17, block 2 in Riverside Place, $202.

Rufus Braden to Samuel Hornbeck, south half of lot 4 in block 7 in Forsyth, $100.

Witnesses Did Not Appear.

New York, Feb. 20.—The joint legislative committee investigating the trusts was compelled to adjourn this morning till Tuesday on account of the failure of witnesses summoned to appear.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, Feb. 20.—The weekly bank statement shows reserve increase, $428,000. Banks are holding $55,666,000 in excess of the legal requirements.

HALF PRICE ON PLASTERS.
West's Drug Store.

Allcock's Plasters.....2 for 25c
Belladonna Plasters.....2 for 25c
Strengthening Plasters.....2 for 25c

Marriage Licenses.

George Rowde, Alton, 31.
Mrs. Katie Baker, Jacksonville, 39.

On account of the Martha Washington social to be given Monday evening, Feb. 22, Myrtle Temple will hold their business meeting Monday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Dillehunt, M. of R. C.

—Hon. Ezra Marquis of DeLand, member of the legislature for the Champaign-Piatt-DeWitt district, was in the city today.

TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers, have another of their popular EXCURSIONS TO TEXAS on TUESDAY, MARCH 2d, where they are selling so much of their choice cheap lands near Houston and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level prairie, most of them new and rich, have never had a plow in them. We can sell you cheaper and better lands, better terms than any one and can take exchange in on some of them. Write us for circulars. We also do a general exchange business; have land to exchange for stocks of goods goods to exchange for lands. In fact can fit you with almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars on the country across the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Millikin bank building, Decatur, Ills.

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TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

NOTICE—Mrs. Helen Chapman, the reliable nurse, is now at her home, 659 South Broadway. She is a first-class nurse, and her services can be had at a dollar a day. 20-d6*

PAST THE DOORKEEPERS.

How Two Little Children Went on the House Floor.

The cherubic insistence of childhood and its utter indifference to established forms and customs were strikingly illustrated at the capitol the other day, says the Washington Star. Two little tots, aged about four and six, were trotting around after some ladies, and in the crowd got separated from their natural protectors. The children paused in front of the north entrance to the house and looked in through the doors as they swung back and forth, then one said: "Maybe auntie went in there," and made a break for the door. Four pairs of hands reached for the youngsters, all belonging to as many agile doorkeepers, but the little ones flew past and all but tripped up a long-legged representative who was just ahead of them. He stopped in the door and began to remonstrate with them, but, with childish impatience, they tried to push him aside, and not being able to do so, thrust their small heads between his legs, one after the other, and scooted in on to the floor. The tall legislator paused aghast at the intrusion and was just about to let the door close when two small maids came rushing pell-mell back again, and slid between his legs out into the corridor.

"Ain't nobody but men in there," remarked one; "auntie must a-gone the other way," and into the crowd they ran.

IT LOOKED WARLIKE.

Spanish Minister Was Alarmed at a Sensational Junket to Havana.

Senator Call's proposition for a congressional investigation of the circumstances surrounding the death of Marco reminded Senator Proctor of a funny story, says the Washington Post.

Some years ago when the questions of immigration and yellow fever and cholera were being looked into a subcommittee of the senate was appointed, consisting of Senators Proctor, Chandler and Call, to visit Havana. It was just before the Christmas holidays, as in this case, and a visit to the Cuban port in the winter season is not without its attractions. The proposed trip, however, rather disturbed the Spanish minister. He knew the belligerent propensities of Chandler and Call and he hastened to the state department with a dispatch from Madrid, anxious to learn whether the investigation was proposed with peaceable intent.

Secretary Foster listened to the excited minister with great suavity. "There is no occasion for alarm," he said, reassuringly. "You know that the holiday recess is approaching and these senators are simply arranging for a pleasure trip. I am sure there is nothing else in it."

A great light of intelligence broke over the Spanish minister's face.

"Oh," he exclaimed, "a peek-neck, a peek-neek!"

And he went away much relieved.

LINCOLN'S HAT A FOOTBALL.

After the Result of the Election Had Been Announced.

The favorite hat worn by Abraham Lincoln was a tall "stovepipe." It has been described as a foot high, with a brim almost as wide as a southern sombrero. Many anecdotes are connected with that famous tall hat. In it Mr. Lincoln carried many of his valuable papers, the briefs of his law cases and other documents, says the Youth's Companion.

On the night of Mr. Lincoln's election to the presidency several ladies who had gathered at the old homestead at Springfield testified their glee by using the hat as a football.

A few of us went to assist Mrs. Lincoln about the supper which was to be given some gentlemen who had come in to hear the returns. It was after midnight before enough had been learned to warrant the belief that our candidate was elected. We went nearly wild with joy and congratulated Mr. Lincoln most heartily.

Some one saw the famous "stovepipe" in the hall, and, seizing it, threw it up to the ceiling. Another caught it, and then it went the rounds till it fell on the floor, when one gave it a kick and then another and another gave it a send off till it was so battered that it had lost all resemblance to its original shape. Mr. Lincoln looked on and smiled good-naturedly at the childish performance.

The banks, postoffice and library will be closed on Washington's birthday.

The Peoria Elks will proba the old Ingersoll homestead.

WORKING FOR TRADE....

Yes, that is what we are doing---Giving Exceptional Values in all kinds of Dry Goods Shoes and Cloaks.

PRICES TO REDUCE STOCK
Will be the Draw Card This Week.

Kid Gloves at 98c.

About 25 dozen of Ladies' Kid Gloves, (Tans, Browns, Slates, Blues and Reds,) that have sold at $1.50 and $1.75, on sale at 98c pair.

Dress Goods at 39c.

About 20 pieces of Light and Dark Novelty Dress Goods, that have sold at 50c, 65c and 75c yard—now out at 39c yard.

White Shirts at 48c.

10 dozen Men's Laundered White Shirts, (sizes 14, 15½, 16, 16½, 17,) that are slightly soiled, and have sold at $1.00, and $1.25, now cut to 48c.

25 dozen Men's fine Unlaundered White Shirts, worth 75c, at 48c.

MEN'S FLANNEL OUTSIDE SHIRTS worth $1.00 and $1.50, now at 50c.

LADIES' FINE SHOES, the $2.00 kind at $1.50 pair.

One lot $1.50 and $1.75 Ladies' Shoes out at 98c pair.

BOYS' PERCALE WAISTS, the 50c kind at 25c.

CHILDREN'S TAM O'SHANTER CAPS at 19c.

WINDOW SHADES, 40c kind 25c; 25c kind at 15c.

DRESSER SCARFS, 50c and 65c kind at 39c each.

JACKETS AND CAPES go at about Half Price this week.

AT JOHNSTON'S... *151 N. Water Street.*

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A dress form Corset in black, white and summer for $1.00
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STATE'S ATTORNEY SWITZER TAKEN HOME BY HIS FRIENDS.

One of Illinois' Most Prominent and Highly Honored Men Suffers from Injuries Sustained in a Fall—His Colleagues and Fellow Citizens Testify to His Integrity and Public Spiritedness.

From the Journal, Macomb, Illinois.

Theodore B. Switzer is the senior member of the law firm of Switzer & Breeden, of Macomb, Ill., and will this fall (1896), close a brilliant four years term as State's Attorney for McDonough Co. His career as a public servant has been above reproach; his fidelity to the people's interests, as well as natural business capacity and honorable instincts, have gained him the confidence and respect of the people of Macomb and McDonough County, Illinois, to a degree that puts him in the front rank of honored citizens. He has gained his present eminence as the result of honest effort and hard work, having been raised on his father's farm in Macomb township, this county, gaining his education in the common schools until he took up the study of law. The State's Attorney's office is the only political aspiration he has thus far sought to realize, and the excellence of his services to the commonwealth as the people's prosecutor is testified to by his constituents throughout the length and breadth of the county. He has the confidence of all classes of citizens to a flattering degree, and any statement made by him is given unqualified credence as the utterance of an honest man.

Mr. Switzer is at all times a very busy man and a close student of his profession, but when approached on the subject herein contained he dropped everything and gave the reporter his enthusiastic and unqualified endorsement of what he had been reported as saying in regard to his recent return to good health. Years ago he was severely injured by a fall from a horse, sustaining a hurt in the right side in the region of the sciatic nerve, leaving this portion of his anatomy weak and susceptible to disease. When last February's term of circuit court came on he found himself, from close application to his business, sadly run down; in fact he was on the verge of nervous prostration. He was weak and nervous and in this condition took a severe cold during court, the result being that in the middle of a session he was overwhelmed with an attack that completely disabled him for further duties and he had to be taken home by his friends. This settled his court duties for some time. Mr. Switzer told the *Daily Journal* reporter that while laid up, with no possible signs or prospect of relief from his family physician, he read a testimonial wherein Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had cured a case parallel with his own, and he immediately made up his mind to try the remedy. He sent for a package and commenced their use immediately according to directions, with the result that he began rapidly to mend and was soon attending to his business once more. He still keeps the pills in the house and continues to use them at this time, and is emphatic in his claim that they are doing him good continually. He expressed himself as not being able to say too much in praise of the pills.

If anything more were needed to fortify the reliability of so unimpeachable a testimony, the good words of his colleagues and fellow citizens as to his reliability and conservatism in stating facts, can readily be brought to bear.

For instance, L. Y. Sherman, who is second to none in the practice of law in this section of Illinois, who has served a term as judge of the McDonough County Court, as State's and City Attorney, and is at present the Republican nominee for Representative from the twenty-eighth district in the State Legislature, said to the reporter that he knew of no man in the catalogue of his acquaintance who is more reliable or deserving of public confidence than Theodore B. Switzer.

A like expression is given by Mr. C. V. Chandler, one of Macomb's most substantial and public-spirited citizens, who for years has served the city in the capacity of alderman of the first ward, has served the district in the Legislature, for years was the president of the First National Bank, and at present is the proprietor of the Bank of Macomb. He considers Mr. Switzer the personification of honor and reliability and has every confidence in any statement he may make, and gives him the highest endorsement as a gentleman and citizen of high character.

No less fervent are the good words of Hon. I. N. Pearson, who remarked that he had known Mr. Switzer when he was a boy on his father's farm in Macomb township and had never lost track of him during his career to the present time. He considers him a man whose reliability and honor is of the very highest order, and one to whom he would gladly give his endorsement in any position of trust or in any statement he might make. Mr. Pearson himself is probably one of the best known men in the State of Illinois, having served for four years in the capacity of Secretary of State. He also made the canvass a second time four years ago, but was engulfed in the landslide that gave Illinois to Democracy for the first time in thirty years. He has held other high positions of trust in this city and county, having held the office of Circuit Clerk a number of years and occupied positions of great responsibility in the Union National Bank, now holding the position of Vice-President of that institution.

Another reference of high standing may be given in the person of W. H. Hainline, the veteran editor of the Macomb *Journal*. Mr. Hainline is widely known throughout the State; has served the city as Mayor, has been for years the Secretary of the County Agricultural Association, and is a prominent politician, holding at present his second term as a member of the State Republican Central Committee. He is a member of the executive committee of that body and also the chairman of the committee on literature. He considers Mr. Switzer a man who is all right in every respect.

Endorsements of the very highest order might be continued indefinitely and multiplied *ad infinitum*, but the above is surely sufficient. However, one more might be added with the mention of the Hon. Alexander McLean, a resident of Macomb for forty-six years, who probably has more individual acquaintances than any other man in Illinois. Mr. McLean is at present the Grand Secretary of the Illinois Independent Order of Mutual Aid, Grand Receiver of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, Grand Recorder of the Select Knights of America, a Thirty-third Degree Mason—in fact it would be hard to name a fraternal organization of which he is not a member—has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois for twenty years, has served the city of Macomb as Mayor and in other capacities, and he considers Mr. Switzer's integrity of the highest order and a gentleman of lofty character.

In conclusion, a word about the great remedy which so benefited Mr. Switzer.

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DOG HERO IN TEXAS.

How Tige Saved His Master and Two Shaggy Pony Friends.

Tige is only a dog, and a "yaller dog" at that, but his mixed breed has given him a shaggy coat and a bushy tail, and nature has given him a deal more sense than the man who owns him stands possessed of.

Tige's master is a rancher, so called, who lives on a rocky little place south of Temple, Tex., and who came to town bringing a bale of cotton on his rickety wagon. After disposing of the cotton the good-for-nothing fellow straightway proceeded to drink up the proceeds, and before the day was far spent he and his money were pretty far gone.

Toward evening he climbed into the wagon, perhaps with an idea of going

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home, as he unhitched his shaggy ponies from the post in front of the grocery where they had been standing all day without a bite of feed or a drink of water, and only Tige curled up under the wagon to keep them company. But, having gotten into the wagon, the man was overcome by his "jag," and fell down on the floor and went to sleep.

Meantime the poor, starved ponies began grazing about, picking a whisp of green here and there, till presently they got out on the edge of the town and had climbed up the three feet of railroad embankment, dragging the wagon after them and nipping the grass between the cross-ties. In the midst of this state of things the north-bound train came around the curve, bearing straight down upon the wagon. The engineer blew the whistle, but the man in the wagon was too far gone to hear. A Mexican tamale vender some distance off saw the danger and ran down the embankment whistling to the horses, but they were too hungry to heed so slight a warning.

But there was Tige, the dog, the ponies' faithful friend. Realizing the danger on the instant, Tige bounded up the embankment and began barking and biting at the horses' heels with such persistence that they in turn set in to kicking and backing down upon him, all the time getting farther and further out of harm's way, till, just as the train sped by, they had gotten themselves and their sleeping master out of the path of its destruction. The man's name is withheld, but Tige is the name of the hero that well deserved a better master.

BOON FOR LAZY MEN.

Californian Invents a Machine That Turns Him Over as He Sleeps.

The San Francisco Examiner tells about a man who has invented an apparatus to turn him over in bed. The man is Walter Hyde. He lives in Alameda, Cal. Mr. Hyde is quite old and is troubled with an incomplete circulation of the blood, causing sleeplessness. If he remains in one position long a mild form of paralysis follows and he cannot sleep at all. Mr. Hyde concluded that if he had some mechanical means to turn himself over hourly at

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night he could go to sleep and not be under the necessity of awaking.

Being somewhat of a mechanical turn of mind, Mr. Hyde concluded to experiment. The result of his tinkering and thinking is the mechanical contrivance which hourly turns him over without awakening him from his slumbers, and which he says works so charmingly that his paralysis with accompanying sleeplessness is a thing of the past. The frame on which the mattress rests hangs from the bedstead by means of pinions, one at the head and the other at the foot. The frame is kept in position by being secured at the sides to a clock-like apparatus with cogs and levers to tilt the mattress frame, the motion of the rocking being governed by the clock and spring apparatus. The tilting of the frame is so nicely graduated that the sleeper is unconscious of the change, but continues undisturbed in his position during the hour to the right or the left side as the case may be.

Two English Bankruptcies.

A bankruptcy which occurred in 1811 has just been wound up in the London registrar's court by a payment that brings the total dividends up to 100 cents on the dollar. A recent bankrupt offered to settle at the rate of 1-27 of a penny in the pound, or 7-10 of a cent to a dollar.

Sacrilegious Thieves.

Two churches in Jasper county, Mo., have been visited by thieves, who stole even the carpets of the aisles and pulpit platform.

Illinois Farmers' Institute Meeting.

The Wabash railroad will sell excursion tickets to Springfield, Ill., at the rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, from all stations in Illinois from which regular one way tickets are sold, Feb. 22 to 26 inclusive, good returning not later than Feb. 27.

The late general assembly appreciating the great benefits resulting from the holding of Farmers' institutes, passed a law creating the Illinois Farmers' Institute for the purpose of developing a greater interest through said organization in the better cultivation of crops, in the care and breeding of the most profitable type of domestic animals, in extending dairy, husbandry, promoting horticulture, directing attention to the importance of farm drainage, stimulating the spirit of improvement in the construction of public roads and discussing the best methods of general farm management.

Up to date farmers and live stock breeders will be greatly benefited by attending the state farmers' institute meeting to be held at Springfield Feb. 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1897.—10-d&w

DYEING AND FINE DRY CLEANING.

We will do dyeing and fine dry cleaning at reduced prices for the next thirty days. Now is the time to have your suits of clothes or overcoats dyed, cleaned and pressed by first-class, practical dyers and dry cleaners. You get the best work done in the city at Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 North Main street.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Kankakee Gazette: Deacon Johnson devoted three days for the celebration of his 87th birthday. On Saturday he made forty-four calls, on Sunday he carved a turkey for a family dinner, and next day he resumed his calling, raising the number of his calls well up to the eighty-seven mark.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whisky or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and $1 per bottle at West's drug store.

Fireman Hinkle, of the C. P. & St. L., who was scalded in a wreck at Pekin, has submitted to amputation of a leg and will now speedily recover.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such companions take DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The Peoria Elks will probably locate in the old Ingersoll homestead.

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Louis Reifstack, a farmer, while riding in a fox chase near Tolono, had a leg broken by the falling of his horse.

LOST—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

It is stated that Mr. Ricketts, formerly Fisher, opened a grain office for track buying at Champaign.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor; delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Walker's elevator at Asumption has been completed and will soon be in operation.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald:" Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectoration very easy and rapid. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Jesse C. Kline, formerly of Champaign, has been appointed secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Kankakee. He has served the association at Peoria, Jacksonville Janesville At the last-named city he did much toward founding the $25,000 Y. M. C. A. building.

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The Copper Coin Had Found Lodgment in a Child's Throat.

Had It Not Been for Prof. Roentgen's New Famous Discovery This Rochester (N. Y.) Youngster Would Have Had to Die.

The infant is 22 months old, and lives at Rochester. He has just arrived at an age when a child begins to investigate in an earnest and intelligent manner the nature of common objects surrounding him. Owing to his lack of previous experience, he is apt to make many mistakes. Thus it happened that this child, having a cent to play with, thought he would test its quality as food, and swallowed it. He never found out how his digestive organs would act upon it, for it lodged in the oesophagus, which is the passage for food from the mouth to the stomach.

For a week, says the New York Journal, Dr. F. W. Limmer strived unsuccessfully to get the coin out of the poor child's throat. He brought into use an immense variety of forceps and hook-shaped instruments, but without success. The child suffered much pain, and it was evident that he would die before long if not relieved. Dr. Timmer sought for some way of relieving the sufferer without using the knife, and came to the conclusion that the X ray would possibly be of service. He procured a Crookes tube and the other necessary apparatus, and arranged it so that the X rays threw a shadow of the child on a screen. In this they were able to locate the position of the coin exactly. They saw at once that it had lodged in a pocket from which it could not be removed by pulling it upward. It was necessary to dislodge it by pushing it down slightly. This discovery at once made the operation comparatively simple.

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This operation will be welcome news to mothers, for one of the terrors of their lives is the liability of small children to swallow things not intended for digestion. You may watch a child with such diligence that he can hardly crawl out of the window or fall into the fire, but it is extremely difficult to prevent him from quietly picking up small articles and swallowing them. All physicians know of cases of children who have endangered their lives by their swallowing propensities. Nuts, coins, marbles, thimbles, tacks, buttons and brass pins are among the things that are curiously taken in. Rarely do serious results ensue. There is always, however, the element of danger, and a physician should be sent for. In the meanwhile, in any preliminary treatment, nothing should be administered that will cause the child to retch.

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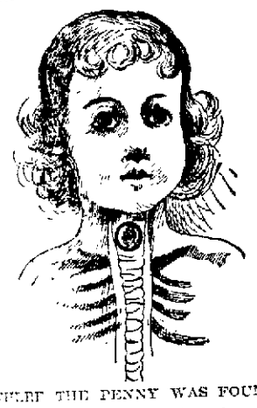

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LATEST SOCIETY FAD.

The French Smart Set Insists That Dogs Shall Be Married.

There is a brand new fad in swelldom. It is the dog marriage. To be thoroughly fashionable nowadays one must own two dogs of opposite sex, and they must have been duly married by the staid and respectable canine selected by the fashionable community to act as the representative of the cloth.

Of course, says the New York Herald, it is from France that this new fad has come. When it is necessary to discover something particularly eccentric French genius always comes to the rescue. The fashionable to whom fell the honor of introducing this new and rather remarkable step for the advancement of canine creation was none other than Mme. Ephrussi, daughter of Baron Alphonse de Rothschild, the wife of Maurice Ephrussi.

The initial wedding of dogs in high society is so novel as to be well worth description. In the first place Mme. Ephrussi sent out formally engraved invitations to several hundred of her friends, announcing the approaching nuptials of Diane, her favorite poodle, and Le Petit Major, a handsome poodle, the property of Baron Alphonse de Rothschild. Not only were the recipients of these invitations asked to come themselves, but requested to also bring their dogs.

Not the least odd and attractive feature of the whole affair was the fact that many of these visiting dogs—in truth, the majority of them—were in full evening dress. Not evening blankets, but, if the dog was a male, in the swallow tail and trousers of the human, together with the standing collar, dress shirt and unspeakable tie.

With all this gorgeousness on the part of the guests, what must have been the worldly splendor that surrounded the bride and groom! Diane, who is described as a poodle of rare grace and beauty, wore a white satin dress, trimmed with beautiful lace, a long tulle veil, decorated with orange blossoms, and white kid shoes. Major, the bridegroom, wore a full evening dress. On the buttonhole of M. Major's very swell coat was a dainty orchid.

Presently all the guests had arrived, human and canine, the latter, of course, being given the preference. Mme.

WEDDING OF TWO POODLES.

Ephrussi's magnificent ballroom was thrown open. There every one repaired, everybody and the dogs. A moment later and there softly floated through the air the strains of the ever familiar wedding march from "Lohengrin." Mincing up the aisle, along which it had been arranged that the wedding procession was to pass, walked three small poodles, each in evening dress, and semi-harnessed together with white ribbon. Following these came the bride, leaning upon the arm of rather hand of her mistress, while behind them, walking on his hind feet and without support, accompanied by Baron Rothschild, came M. Major.

Then came the bridesmaids and groomsmen, the former wearing white silk dresses and long veils, the latter in full dress and adorned with embroidered white satin coats. All these advanced upon their hind legs, but behind them came a host of canine guests, who were permitted to walk as nature had originally intended they should.

Away down at the further end of the ballroom the wedding procession was met by the stanch and sober bulldog of Comte de Bertcaux. Upon his head this honored canine wore a tall silk hat, and about his waist was tied the tricolor sash, his badge of office, for he was representing M. le Maire. After greeting the procession, the bulldog Maire advanced on his hind legs and seated himself upon an embroidered cushion. The Maire looked solemnly at the young couple whose destinies he was about to unite, and then barked distinctly three times. The bridegroom gave a short bark. The bride barked low and impressively. Then the Maire barked several times in quick succession, and there was a series of responsive barks, in which some of the rude and unthinking in the audience joined without request. A gold ring, with a diamond setting, was then slipped over the paw of the fair Diane, the Maire barked gleefully, and the procession moved to the adjoining room.

Following the signing of the register came the reception and supper. Every dog was given a seat at the table and a regular course supper was served. And so passed off the first dog wedding of which Dame Fashion ever acted as chief.

Care of the Tooth Brush.

The care of tooth brushes is not sufficiently observed. In our city houses, a writer properly remarks, they stand in their cups or hang on their racks above the set toilet-bowls day and night, absorbing any disease germs that may be floating about. They should be washed frequently—at least about twice a week—in some antiseptic solution, strong salt and water or bicarbonate of sodium and water being two good and readily provided cleaners. Tooth washes and pastes should also be kept carefully covered.

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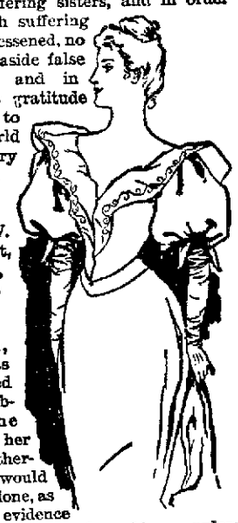
There is a class of women who, from their own experience, sympathize with their suffering sisters, and in order that such suffering may be lessened, no bly put aside false modesty and in heartfelt gratitude publish to the world what every woman should know.



Mrs. W. L. Elliott, Liscomb, Iowa, is one of those women, and has requested us to publish the facts in her case, otherwise it would not be done, as all such evidence is treated in sacred confidence, unless publication is requested by the writer.

She says to Mrs. Pinkham:—"I wish you would publish the circumstances of my case, in order that other women may be benefited by my experience.

"I doctored nearly all the time for two years. I spent several hundred dollars without receiving much benefit. Last June I wrote to you and described all my aches and pains. Such a long list as there was: headache, backache, bearing-down pains, terrible soreness, constipation, dizziness, feeling of extreme lassitude, irregularity and nausea; but you answered my letter and told me just what to do. I followed your advice.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Piatt county, Illinois, in favor of Thomas L. McDaniel and against Charles H. Bridges, Wm. Marshall Bridges and Frank Walz, partners doing business under the firm name and style of Bridges, Walz & Co., I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Sixty-five (65) feet in width off of the north side of Lot Three (3) of B. L. Howenstine's addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois. Taken as the property of the said Charles H. Bridges, which I shall offer at public sale at north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county in said state, on the 1st day of March, A. D., 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 8th day of February, A. D. 1897.

J. P. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.

Feb 8-dtd

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Jan. 8-dtf

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For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—At once, to travel, ten good solicitors. All expenses paid. Apply to C. A. SHIBLEY, Arcade Hotel. 19-d6*

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19 dtf

WANTED—A good girl to do general housework. Apply at 357 North Edward street. Feb 17-d6

WANTED—Agents, male and female, everywhere to handle greatest seller produced; wonderful invention. Write at once for particulars. B. LINDEMAN, 355 Broadway, N. Y. 15-d6*

WANTED—A girl to do general housework. Must give references. App y at once to MRS. GILLESPIE, No. 714 West Macon street. 16-d6*

WANTED.—We have a fine half section land at Storm Lake, Iowa, at a very reasonable rent; good improvements. Also other good farms to rent, sell or trade for merchandise or city property. See ALLINSON & FLEMING, 121 East William street, Decatur, Ill. 15-d6*

WANTED—Several upright, industrial persons in Illinois, as State agents, or managers, for responsible house. $780 and expenses. Permanent positions. Enclose reference. Address the Dominion Company, Dept. 2, Chicago. Feb 9-d5w

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Two good milk cows—one half and the other three-quarters Jersey. Three and eight years old. Apply to MRS. F. N. EWING, Forest avenue. 20-d6*

FOR SALE—At the county jail, one wooden trough, six feet long, in four divisions, suitable for watering calves or cows; also one cast iron bath tub which could be used for watering stock. Apply to Supervisor Jacob Haues, or at the office of the overseer of the poor. 19-d6

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it, possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

FOR SALE—Fine land near Beaumont and Port Arthur, Texas. Low prices. Easy Terms. Good schools, low taxes, no drought or blizzards. Profitable crops; rice, cotton, fruits, vegetables. Enquire of ALLINSON & FLEMING, I. C. City Ticket Office, Decatur, Ill. Jan 5-d5w

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A good seven-room house, within three blocks of Lincoln Square. Barn, carriage house, well, cistern and dry cellar. Inquire at 453 South Main street. 17-d6*

FOR RENT—A house of nine rooms, furnace, well and cistern, and good barn, chicken houses, etc., in Riverside. Apply to H. F. May & Bro., 134 South Main street. Feb. 11-d2w

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST OR STOLEN—Tuesday afternoon a Cocker Spaniel puppy, 3 months old; answers to name of Judge. Reward will be paid for return to 1661 North Water street. HAL. G. STEVENS. Feb 20-d6

LOST—One gold locket, about three-quarters of an inch square, with diamond in center. Liberal reward will be paid. Call at this office. Feb 18-d6*

LOST—Somewhere in the city an American Brewing Co. memorandum book, with $35 on the inside. Owner will pay a liberal reward for its return to John Mattes, 111 East Main st. 17-d6*

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FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-d&wtf

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MISCELLANEOUS.

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrances; $1700 buys them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-dtf

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

SALESMEN—$5 a day. No canvassing. No deliveries. No collections. Samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3941 Market St., Philadelphia. jan 23-d4w.

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made. $1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuacy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30 d&wtf

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

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THE FINEST FLOWERS.—N. Bommersbach, proprietor of the Decatur Greenhouse, has in stock at all times the finest and largest variety of cut flowers and plants at the lowest figures. Inspect the display at the greenhouse on Spring avenue. Leave orders at office or with J. E. Bullard, Syndicate Block. Jan 4, 1897-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURE.—Decatur, Ill., Nov. 29th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Cerrodanie Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, Tom Penlwell, ticket agent I. C. R. R. Jan 18-dtf

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Apr 23-dtf

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Jan. 13-dtf

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. MACON COUNTY, } In the Circuit Court.

Mattie E. Sparks, Complainant, vs. Margetta Sparks et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 15758.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, March 10th, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing 55 feet west of the southeast corner of Lot 10 in Block 2 of S. R. Thompson's 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, thence north 150 feet parallel with the east line of said lot, thence west 30 feet, thence south 150 feet, thence east 30 feet to the place of beginning, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of February, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.

Feb. 16dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. MACON COUNTY, } In the Circuit Court.

The Loan and Homestead Association, complainant, vs. Barlett Clark et al., defendants; In Chancery—No. 15726.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term of said court, A. D. 1896, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Saturday, March 13, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots Five (5) and Eight (8) in Block One (1) in LeForgee & Patterson's Addition to the City of Decatur in Macon county, Illinois.

Terms of Sale:—$350 cash in hand on day of sale, and the balance in twelve months, deferred payment to be secured by approved personal security and a mortgage on the premises sold, and to bear interest at 6 per cent. from day of sale or the purchaser may pay all cash if he so desires.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 12th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Shelley Bros., solicitors for complainant.

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Decatur Plumbing and Heating Company will be held at their office on Monday, March 1, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

W. H. ELWOOD, President.

O. W. DAWSON, Secretary.

Feb. 5-dtd

PROPOSALS.

The undersigned, assignee of the estate of M. D. Alexander, insolvent, will receive proposals for the entire stock of goods, consisting of hardware, cutlery, stoves, tinware, tinner's tools, etc., up to March 1, 1897. The stock is clean, and if desired the building can be rented for the coming season, or can be purchased reasonable.

Macon, Ill., Jan. 11, 1897.

Jan. 29-d6w W. H. BROOKS, Assignee.

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Sunday excursion rates to all points on the P., D. & E. One fare round trip. Tickets good returning on day of sale.

Winter tourist rates now on to points south, southwest and southeast.

One way settler rates to points south every first and third Tuesday of each month. Very low.

Good connections at Peoria for Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado points; at Mattoon with Big Four for Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and eastern points; at Evansville for all Southern and Florida points.

City ticket office removed from 110 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. New 'phone No. 28; Old, No. 430. Union Depot 'phone No. 47. New.

Call on or address W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Penlwell, 121 East William street.

R. R. TIME TABLES.

In effect Feb. 7, 1897.

Wabash Line.

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	*1:05 a m	13	*3:50 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	*3:55 p m
16	†7:40 a m	17	†7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	*3:40 a m	6	*3:25 a m
11	*6:55 a m	4	*11:25 a m
5	†4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	*4:00 p m	10	*8:38 p m
1	*12:15 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	*7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	*6:28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
4	*11:30 a m	7	*7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	†3:50 p m
10 Laf. acm.	†4:40 p m	3	*3:20 a m
		11	*10:30 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY	
5	*4:05 p m	4	*11:20 a m
3	*5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only	†7:40 p m	16 from Spfd	*7:35 a m
11 Spfd acm	*10:34 a m	10 Effm acm.	†4:36 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily ..... 1:32 a m	Diamond Special, daily ..... 2:56 a m
No. 104, daily 11:25 a m	No. 105 pass. ex. Sunday ..... 9:30 a m
No. 194 freight ex. Sunday ..... 2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday ..... 10:10 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday ..... 6:11 p m	No. 128, daily. 3.32 p m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday ..... 2.25 p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday ..... 10:15 a m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n, daily 6:00 a m	No. 703—From Chicago, daily 9.05 p m
No. 120 daily to Chicago ..... 11:52 a m	No. 119 daily, to St. Louis ..... 2:58 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 ..... 10:42 a. m.	A No. 2 ..... 2:41 p. m
D No. 3 ..... 10:10 p. m.	A No. 4 ..... 3:50 a. m
A No. 31 ..... 4:50 p. m.	A No. 30 ..... 6:15 a. m.
	S No. 36 ..... 7:10 a. m.
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2 ..... 2.47 p. m.	A No. 1 ..... 10:50 a. m.
A No. 4 ..... 4:10 a. m.	D No. 3 ..... 10:20 p. m.
A No. 30 ..... 6:35 a. m.	A No. 31 ..... 5:00 p. m.
S No. 36 ..... 7:30 a. m.	A No. 11 ..... 3:15 p. m.
A No. 10 ..... 10:42 a. m.	

"A"—Daily Except Sunday. "D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 3 Pass. ... *4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass. ... *11:25 a m
" 1 Pass. ... *2:25 p m	" 4 Pass. ... *10:20 p m
" 7 Acc. ... †10:00 a m	" 8 Accom. ... ‡4:00 a m

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Run ends here

Vandalia Line.

In effect Jan. 17, 1897.

Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.

FOR THE WEST.

No. 7, Ex., Sun. 11:42 a. m. ..... For Peoria
No. 5, Ex., Sun. 7:00 a. m. ..... For Peoria

FOR THE EAST.

No. 20, Ex., Sun. 8:00 a. m. ..... For Terre Haute
No. 6, Ex., Sun. 3:25 p. m. ..... For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of Arthur Smith and Stanley Calkins, Doing business as Smith & Calkins—Debtors.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that Arthur Smith and Stanley Calkins, doing business as Smith & Calkins, of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1896, transfer to the undersigned, as assignee, all his property, real and personal, for the benefit of his creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Smith & Calkins are hereby notified to present such claims, under oath or affirmation, to me, at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

W. H. ELWOOD, Assignee.

Dated December 30, 1896. Jan 6-d6w

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Uriah Edgecombe, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Uriah Edgecombe, deceased, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1897.

HANNAH EDGECOMBE, Administratrix.

Bunn & Park, Attorneys. Jan 20-d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Ferby Holman, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Ferby Holman, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1897.

DAVID T. HOLMAN, Administrator.

Feb 10-d4w

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed assignee of Mamie E. Dennis and all persons holding any claim or claims against said Mamie E. Dennis are hereby notified to present the same to him under oath or affirmation within three months from this date, whether said claims are due or not. All persons indebted to said assignor are requested to make prompt payment of the same.

Dated February 10, 1897.

Feb 10-d4w A. F. GEBHARD, Assignee.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are requested to announce J. C. HANERS a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce P. B. PROVOST as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES O'MARA as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce O. W. SMITH as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M. CALDWELL as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM BUNDY as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce J. T. LLOYD as a candidate for Constable, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F. EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce LANDY H. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Baby cough syrup at Irwin's.

Drink Cool's 25c combination coffee.

It seems like spring today. Lookout for squalls.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at West's drug store.—19-dtf

Smoke the Litle J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Russian corn cure gives the best satisfaction; for sale by I. N. Irwin & Co.

Go to W. C. Pluck, No. 109 East North street, for your spring wall paper. All new goods.—15-d6t

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths, lowest price ever made; 50c a pound. Wests' drug store.—19-dtf

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 23-dtf

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The W. C. T. U. will have charge of the services on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Anna B. Millikin Home.

I dislike to fry oysters on account of rolling the crackers. Buy both oysters and cracker meal at the Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—18-d3t

There was a large number of country people in the city today and the merchants did a good business. Most of the farmers came to the city by the train as the roads are almost impassible. The mud is so deep and heavy that it is very difficult to drive over them.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonial free.

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Personals.

—J. M. Huff is ill.

—Charles T. Johnson is in St. Louis.

—Miss Gertrude Naso is visiting in Pana.

—Miss Emily Hamsher, who has been ill, is recovering.

—H. Clay Dempsey came up from Springfield last night.

—Mrs. R. L. Walston went to Dalton City today on business.

—Senator Kanan arrived home last evening from Springfield.

—J. S. Galvin is home from St. Louis where he went on business.

—Augustus Reeser of St. Louis, was in the city today on business.

—Dr. J. T. Miller went to Blue Mound today on professional business.

—Howard Hanthorn is here from Springfield to stay over Sunday.

—Miss Anna Davis left today for Morrisonville where she will visit relatives.

—B. Stine will return in a few days from Battle Creek, Mich., in greatly improved health.

—Frank Ward left last night for Battle Creek, Mich., where he goes for the benefit of his health.

—Miss Katie Casey of Peoria, is visiting Mrs. J. H. Wilson of the firm of J. Y. Chisholm & Co.

—Miss Ada Fisher and Miss Maude Odell of Oakland, Ill., were in the city yesterday visiting J. M. Fisher and family.

—Miss Lillian Crea has returned from Chicago where she was called on account of the illness of her father, Attorney Hugh Crea.

DEATH OF AN OLD LADY.

Mrs. Catherine Leary, the Venerable Mother of James Milligan.

Mrs. Catherine Leary died this morning at 6:50 o'clock at the residence of her son, James Milligan, 418 East Eldorado street, where she had made her home since last June, when she came here from Bloomington. Mrs. Leary was a native of Ireland and came to America in 1848, to Decatur in 1856. Her age was 90 years. She is survived by four children—James Milligan of Decatur; P. W. Milligan of Alabama, Mrs. O'Brien of Washington and Mrs. Nibill of Nebraska.

The funeral will take place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Patrick's Catholic church. The remains will be taken to Bloomington for interment.

Important Surgical Operation.

Last Wednesday Dr. R. L. Walston went to Maroa and in company with Dr. Will McLean, went five miles southeast of Maroa, and operated on the 17-year-old son of John Marlatt for appendicitis. The case was more than an unusually bad one and a telephone message to Decatur today brought the satisfactory news that the young man is all right, and is now past all danger.

Mr. Marlatt has lived twenty-five years on the same farm where he now resides and has troops of friends who will rejoice with him over the recovery of his son from such a dangerous ordeal.

Y. M. C. A. News

The members of the Y. M. C. A. will give the basket ball game on the evening of February 25 at the tabernacle. It was announced yesterday that the game had been postponed but the game will be given as arranged at first. The members of the team are holding practice games every evening.

The men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms will be held as usual at 3:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. S. L. Hill will lead. His subject will be "The Sword of the Spirit."

The Prohibitionists.

The meeting of the Macon county Prohibitionists which was held in this city yesterday closed with a session held at the W. C. T. U. rooms last night. The purpose of the meeting was to arouse a new interest in the work and to raise money for the state work. Last evening Rev. O. W. Stewart of Mackinaw, made an address on the object, "The Liquor Traffic vs Political Economy." About $50 was raised for the state work, pledges being given by the Prohibitionists present at the meeting.

Notice to Tax Payers.

All taxpayers are requested to call next week early and settle their taxes before the rush. Taxes on personal property must be paid to the collector before he returns the books to the county treasurer. J. S. Carter, collector, office, court house.

Died in Iowa,

Mrs. E. B. Walker died at Storm Lake, Iowa, on Thursday. The body was brought to Macon, the former home of the deceased, where the funeral took place today from the Methodist church.

Funeral of Mrs. Houser.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Catherine Houser will be held at noon tomorrow at the Boiling Springs church. The burial will be at the Boiling Springs cemetery.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jan 29 d&wtf

Married—By Justice Shorb Saturday afternoon George Bowde of Alton, Ill., and Katie Baker of Jacksonville. The groom was a white man while the bride was a mulatto.

COOK FOUND GUILTY.

Havana Jury in a Verdict Says He Committed Manslaughter.

CAUSED DEATH OF A YOUNG GIRL

Miss Minnie Bennett, of Maroa, was the Victim — Cook at the First Trial Got a Sentence of Fourteen Years.

This afternoon the Reupblican received this telegram:

Havana, Ill., Feb. 20.—In the circuit court today in the trial of the case of Eddie Cook of Logan county for the murder of Miss Minnie Bennett of Maroa, Macon county, in May, 1895, the jury brought in a verdict finding the defendant guilty of manslaughter. Cook will go to the penitentiary withoutthe court fixing the term of years' imprisonment.

Cook was indicted for murder in the May term of the Logan county court in 1895, and was tried in the September term following. He was convicted and was sentenced to the penitentiary for fourteen years. At this trial two important witnesses for the state, R. N. Dills and wife of Atlanta, were absent and the state asked for a continuance on that ground, but the defense was anxious for trial and admitted by written agreement that Dills and his wife would testify that they had seen Eddie Cook and Minnie Bennett in the office of Dr. B. F. Gardner, Jr., at Atlanta, and by agreement this matter went to the jury. Judge Epler, who presided at the trial, allowed the state to prove the suicide of Dr. B. F. Gardner, jr., when he was summoned to appear before the grand jury. After the verdict Judge Epler granted a new trial to Cook because he made the error of allowing the evidence of Gardner's suicide, and hence the second trial.

The witnesses who attended the trial at Havana from Maroa are Jacob Ewing and wife, Stella Bennett, Mrs. A. D. Wysong and Dr. W. T. McLean and Dr. E. A. Morgan.

PROGRESS AT CARSON.

Preliminaries for the Big Fight in Nevada are Going on Rapidly.

Carson, Nev., Feb. 20.—Work on Corbett's training quarters at Shaw's Springs is progressing rapidly and he will probably go there tomorrow. He said yesterday that he felt no ill effects so far as a result of exercising in the rarified atmosphere in this elevation.

Work has not yet been completed on the amphitheatre, but there will be plenty of time before March 17, as the edifice is to be merely a temporary one, and a large force of men can rush it up in a few days.

The arrival of Fitzsimmons is anxiously awaited. He will probably not tarry long in Carson as his establishment at Cook's ranch will be all ready for him by the time he arrives here. So far, Corbett seems to be the favorite of the experts and others who have come here a month ahead of time.

Governor Sadler and a number of other state officials saw Corbett at his work in the opera house this afternoon. Jim made a good impression with the executive and the latter was not slow to express himself so.

ABLE TO SIT UP.

A Letter as to the Condition of Attorney Crea in Chicago.

The only information obtainable today as to the condition of Attorney Hugh Crea, who is confined to the Augustine hospital in Chicago, is that which came in a letter written at midnight and received at the law office in Decatur this morning. Louis White wrote the letter. He says: "Mr. Crea was some better today (meaning yesterday.) He was able to sit up in bed for about half an hour. He slept seven hours today and six hours yesterday." That was all. There was no comment as to the possible outcome of the case. All are hoping for the best. Miss Lillian Crea returned from Chicago last night.

Washington Entertainment,

Myrtle Temple No. 2 R. S., will give a George and Martha Washington entertainment on the new K. P. hall in the Powers building on Monday evening, Feb. 22. The following program will be given:

Orchestra.

Vocal Solo—Mr. R. W. Chilson.

Instrumental Duet—Effie and Eddie Kellar.

Recitation—Miss Ella Clarkson.

Viloin Duet—Olga Keck and Bertha Troutman.

Orchestra.

Amusements of the evening will be games and dancing. Refreshments will be served. Admission, 10c. Come one. Come all.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church was held yesterday afternoon at the church. The following officers were elected to serve the coming year: President, Mrs. S. J. Bumstead; vice president, Mrs. P. Loeb; secretary, Mrs. B. P. Sterrett; treasurer, Mrs. H. I. Baldwin; executive committee, Mesdames. A. B. Montgomery, S. T. Nesbitt and G. A. Stadler.

ENDEAVOR NEWS.

The executive committee of the [illegible] county Christian Endeavor [illegible] meet Sunday afternoon, [illegible] o'clock in the First M. E. church. All the presidents in the county [illegible] be present, as business of [illegible] be discussed. The nominating committee will be appointed to select [illegible] the ensuing year and plans [illegible] social will also be suggested.

The First M. E. society [illegible] thirty new members into the [illegible] next Monday night, Feb. 22.

Last Sunday night, the [illegible] al society held a missionary [illegible] studying the place and people [illegible] are helping to support a missionary [illegible] his wife in Mardeen, Turkey.

Last Sunday evening the [illegible] society enjoyed their [illegible] meeting. A large number of [illegible] church people were present.

The Congregational societies [illegible] have pledged themselves to support a missionary and his wife in Turkey. The local society contributes $[illegible] to the fund.

The Presbyterian society [illegible] a novel tourists social to be held [illegible] in their church parlors. It will be an invitation affair.

The First M. E. society will [illegible] business meeting Monday evening Feb. 22. A. M. Taylor, president will preside.

The Congregational society is planning for a book social to be held in the near future.

The Presbyerian First M. E. Congregational and Baptist societies are organizing missionary libraries well underway. Who will be the next?

Topic for Feb. 21, "Our bitter [illegible] and how to get rid of them." [illegible] 1-8; John 14: 1.

Miss Mary Moore will lead the meeting Sunday evening at 6:30 in the Presbyterian society.

The First M. E. society expect to raise $150 for missions this year.

The members of the Mt. Zion [illegible] church and Christian Endeavor will attend church at North Fork tomorrow evening.

The Macon society united with the Epworth League last Sunday night in the Methodist church and held a very interesting meeting led by Mrs. J. A. Montgomery.

The Baptist society will elect officers March 1.

The Church street Christian [illegible] have arranged for a humorist lecture to be given by J. W. Macy next Wednesday night in the tabernacle, tickets [illegible]

The Presbyterian society will hold a short business meeting preceding their prayer meeting Sunday evening.

Fireman Hinkle, of the C. P. & S. L. who was scalded in a wreck at Pana, has submitted to amputation of a leg and is now speedily recover.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. [illegible]

THE REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Ley, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Milwaukee and St. Louis for the following market quotations

No market Monday Washington [illegible] and a legal holiday.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
February	—	—	—	[illegible]
May	76⅝	77[illegible]	7[illegible]	[illegible]
July	73⅝	73[illegible]	7[illegible]	[illegible]
Corn—				
February	—	—	—	[illegible]
May	24⅝	24⅞	24⅝	[illegible]
July	25½	25⅝	25[illegible]	[illegible]
Oats—				
February	—	—	—	[illegible]
May	17⅝	17[illegible]	17⅝	[illegible]
July	18⅝	18[illegible]	18[illegible]	[illegible]
Pork—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	8 00	8 00	7 95	—
Lard—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	4 02½	—	—	[illegible]
Ribs—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	4 10	4 10	4 07½	4 07½

May wheat: puts, 75⅝c; calls, 77⅛c. Corn [illegible]

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat—23 Estimated, 18, Year ago [illegible]
Corn—211; Estimated, 195; a year ago [illegible]
Oats—266; Estimated, 270, a year ago.

ESTIMATES FOR TUESDAY.

Wheat, 20; Corn, 180; oats, 260.

Hog receipts 20,000; estimated, 16,000. Market a shade lower.

Estimated for to-morrow, (Monday) 40,000.

Cattle receipts, 300.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, Feb. 20.—Corn, higher, new, No. 2 white, 19½c; oats, higher, No. 2, white, 18¾ 18½c; Rye, nominal.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.—Wheat, cash, [illegible] May, 85¾c; Corn, cash 20¾, May, 22; Oats, cash 17c; May, 18¼.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Wheat, May, [illegible] Corn, May, 30½c; oats, May, 21¾c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Butter, steady, [illegible] dairy, 12@20c; Eggs, steady, 13@19c.

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Key West, Fla., Feb. 22.—According to all accounts General Lee and the Spaniards had a lively time at Havana Saturday. It all grew out of the continued illusage of American prisoners by the Spanish officials, and their persistent disregard of General Lee and his remonstrances. It was brought to a head by the death of Dr. Ruiz. This American citizen was arrested and committed to a dungeon not long ago charged with the usual fictitious crime of "conspiracy," or something akin to it. General Lee saw Dr. Ruiz at once, and was convinced of his innocence. His remonstrances to the Spanish officials met with no replies, and Ruiz was still held in prison without any signs of the civil trial to which he was entitled.

Last week General Lee was greatly surprised to be informed that Ruiz had committed suicide, and he investigated. But he was not allowed to see the body, nor were any friends of the dead American permitted to attend the funeral. This General Lee thought strange. Later, secret intelligence regarding the matter came to him, and he asked that the body be exhumed and an autopsy performed. This request the Spaniards refused.

General Lee referred the case to Secretary Olney with his suggestions and what he had learned. It is reported that Secretary Olney told him that he was right, and to go ahead. This he did, with a persistence that won him the day. Finally, much against their will, the Spanish officials allowed the body to be taken up; the remains were taken to Guanabacoa Saturday, and it is understood that the post mortem was performed in the office of Major Frondevcilla, Weyler's "assistant butcher," as he is called by the Cubans. General Lee and several others connected with the consulate were present and a dozen Spanish officers. An American physician was in attendance, but he was not permitted to do any of the work. The post-mortem did not show or prove any murder, but it did not prove that Dr. Ruiz had committed suicide; in fact, all the suppositions were against it. But the Spanish officers hurried it through, and thought that Lee would be satisfied.

It is stated that the conversation between Lee and the Spanish officers was not at all times up to the "polite" living as General Lee was greatly vexed over their indifference. He told them what he thought of the matter, and they parted not on the best of terms. On his return it is reported that Lee's long suffering and forbearance broke loose, and he determined to make a stand at once that would settle the question of American rights in Cuba. It is said that he cabled Olney and Cleveland that there were scores of Americans imprisoned in Spanish dungeons for little or no cause; that it was impossible to get a fair trial for them, and that it was time to do something to aid them and secure fair treatment for his fellow citizens. He requested the administration to stand behind him, and he would make a demand upon the Spanish officials for the instant release or the promise of a speedy civil trial for all Americans now in Spanish jails. It is added that he stated in plain language to them both that if this was not done he would resign at once. War ships would be needed to bring this about, and General Lee mentioned this as something that should be ordered immediately.

General Lee's friends say that he has waited until his patience has given out entirely. He has seen Americans scorned and insulted, and all his remonstra